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Laminated timber columns of 3-in. boards carry the massive trusses in this aircraft assembly plant. — See p. 86

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## COMING NEXT

• Construction of the longest continuous plate girder span in the U. S.—Charter Oak Bridge at Hartford, Conn., whose design is described in this issue, imposed several unusually difficult problems due to its 840 ft. length, its flexibility and height above water. These problems will be discussed in the Mar. 25 number.

• Crossing a stream with a pipeline ordinarily is not unusual, but to extend a 36-in. steel water supply line across a river required a 497-ft. section assembled on land, weighted with cast-in-place concrete rings to produce desired deflections, and then pulled into place by tractors. Methods employed will be published in *ENR* for Mar. 25.

• The Marines have engineers, too! And although little publicized, these important specialist troops have been among the first waves in all Marine landings, securing and developing beach heads, building roads, constructing fortifications. What they are, how they fit into the Corps organization, and what their duties are will be told for the first time in an article by one of their officers in the Mar. 25 issue.

## LOOKING AHEAD

• Postwar public works planning has gone far beyond the realm of academic discussion in New York State. For almost a year a commission has been at work developing plans and specifications for state projects, and now its activities are to be extended to the municipal field. "Putting Postwar Plans Into Realty", a forthcoming article, which outlines progress made and the manner in which the commission functions, should be a stimulus to similar activity elsewhere.

• A rapid procedure in using the Hardy Cross method in analyzing continuous beams for critical live loading plus dead load will be described by Joseph Zalkin, U. S. Engineer Department. How the method is applied is illustrated, step-by-step, for a 5-span design to obtain maximum positive and negative moments and maximum shears.


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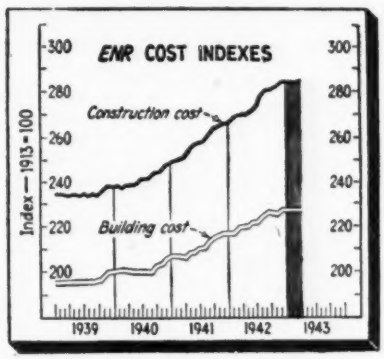
# ONTHLY CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS SUMMARY

## ENR CONSTRUCTION VOLUME AND NEW CAPITAL .... FHA MORTGAGES

| (,000 omitted) | February 1942 (4 wk.) | February 1943 (4 wk.) | % Change | Two Months 1942 (9 wk.) | Two Months 1943 (8 wk.) | % Change† |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Construction | $634,823 | $306,242 | −52.0 | $1,263,603 | $533,068 | −53.0 |
| te Construction | 69,284 | 36,561 | −47.0 | 120,405 | 52,059 | −51.0 |
| e Construction | 565,539 | 269,681 | −52.0 | 1,143,198 | 481,009 | −53.0 |
| ral | 526,187 | 264,884 | −50.0 | 1,023,287 | 464,140 | −49.0 |
| New Productive Capital | $812,549 | $11,041 | −99.0 | $1,372,463 | $15,539 | −99.0 |
| te Investment | 18,065 | 11,041 | −39.0 | 116,679 | 14,039 | −86.0 |
| ral (non-federal work) | 2,529 | ..... | ..... | 13,829 | 1,500 | −88.0 |
| ral (federal work) | 791,955 | ..... | ..... | 1,241,955 | ..... | ..... |
| Mortgages Selected for Ap- | | | | | | |
| nal (Title II) | $61,931 | $16,767 | −73.0 | $116,598 | $30,258 | −74.0 |
| (Title VI) | 82,742 | 48,912 | −41.0 | 121,364 | 89,561 | −26.0 |

*†Adjusted for difference in number of weeks.*




## CONSTRUCTION COSTS . . . . . WAGE RATES . . . . . PRICES

| | March 1942 | March 1943 | % Change | Change February to March 1942 Feb. | 1942 Mar. | % | 1943 Feb. | 1943 Mar. | % |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| R Construction Cost dex, 1913 = 100‡ | 269.71 | 285.24 | +5.8 | 269.41 | 269.71 | +0.1 | 283.48 | 285.24 | +0.6 |
| R Building Cost Index, 913 = 100‡ | 218.88 | 226.66 | +3.6 | 218.44 | 218.88 | +0.2 | 226.90 | 226.66 | −0.1 |

*‡Does not reflect increased costs due to more overtime, lower labor efficiency, delivery delays, etc.*

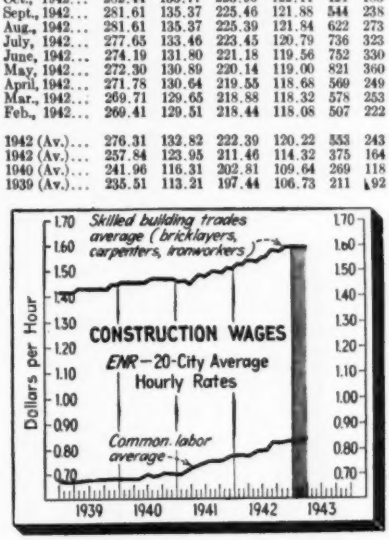
### ENR 20-CITIES' AVERAGE

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| mmon Labor | $0.780 | $0.842 | +8.0 | $0.780 | $0.780 | 0 | $0.832 | $0.842 | +1.2 |
| lled Labor (Av. 3 trades) | 1.538 | 1.606 | +4.4 | 1.536 | 1.538 | +0.1 | 1.606 | 1.606 | 0 |
| icklayers | 1.638 | 1.661 | +1.4 | 1.638 | 1.638 | 0 | 1.661 | 1.661 | 0 |
| uctural Ironworkers | 1.599 | 1.700 | +6.3 | 1.599 | 1.599 | 0 | 1.700 | 1.700 | 0 |
| rpenters | 1.376 | 1.457 | +5.9 | 1.370 | 1.376 | +0.4 | 1.457 | 1.457 | 0 |
| ment, per bbl. | $2.60 | $2.61 | +0.4 | $2.60 | $2.60 | 0 | $2.60 | $2.61 | +0.4 |
| nforcing steel, cwt. | 2.61 | 2.74 | +5.0 | 2.61 | 2.61 | 0 | 2.70 | 2.74 | +1.5 |
| uct. steel shapes, base | 2.10 | 2.10 | 0 | 2.10 | 2.10 | 0 | 2.10 | 2.10 | 0 |
| d, per ton | 1.21 | 1.21 | 0 | 1.21 | 1.21 | 0 | 1.21 | 1.21 | 0 |
| mber, 2x4 Fir, per M ft. | 47.80 | 51.05 | +6.8 | 47.57 | 47.80 | +0.5 | 51.47 | 51.05 | −0.8 |
| mber, 2x4 Pine, per M ft. | 42.06 | 44.01 | +4.6 | 41.74 | 42.06 | +0.8 | 44.03 | 44.01 | * |
| ck, common, per M | 15.28 | 15.66 | +2.5 | 15.28 | 15.28 | 0 | 15.66 | 15.66 | 0 |
| dy-mixed concrete, c.y. | 7.20 | 7.39 | +2.6 | 7.20 | 7.20 | 0 | 7.39 | 7.39 | 0 |
| uct. clay tile, 3x12x12 | 75.91 | 78.93 | +4.0 | 75.83 | 75.91 | +0.1 | 78.93 | 78.93 | 0 |
| ving asphalt, cars, ton | 15.31 | 15.12 | −1.2 | 15.28 | 15.31 | +0.2 | 14.88 | 15.12 | +1.6 |

**Less than .05 percent change.*

### ENR INDEX NUMBERS

| Base = 100 | Construction Cost 1913 | Construction Cost 1926 | Building Cost 1913 | Building Cost 1926 | Volume '13 | Volume '26 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mar., 1943 | 285.24 | 137.11 | 226.66 | 122.53 | ... | ... |
| Feb., 1943 | 283.48 | 136.27 | 226.90 | 122.66 | 231 | 101 |
| Jan., 1943 | 283.45 | 136.25 | 226.87 | 122.64 | 172 | 76 |
| Dec., 1942 | 283.69 | 136.37 | 226.63 | 122.51 | 227 | 100 |
| Nov., 1942 | 283.64 | 136.35 | 226.58 | 122.48 | 462 | 202 |
| Oct., 1942 | 282.44 | 135.77 | 225.90 | 122.11 | 421 | 185 |
| Sept., 1942 | 281.61 | 135.37 | 225.46 | 121.88 | 544 | 238 |
| Aug., 1942 | 281.61 | 135.37 | 225.39 | 121.84 | 622 | 273 |
| July, 1942 | 277.65 | 133.46 | 223.45 | 120.79 | 736 | 323 |
| June, 1942 | 274.19 | 131.80 | 221.18 | 119.56 | 752 | 330 |
| May, 1942 | 272.30 | 130.89 | 220.14 | 119.00 | 821 | 360 |
| April, 1942 | 271.78 | 130.64 | 219.55 | 118.68 | 569 | 249 |
| Mar., 1942 | 269.71 | 129.65 | 218.88 | 118.32 | 578 | 253 |
| Feb., 1942 | 269.41 | 129.51 | 218.44 | 118.08 | 507 | 222 |
| 1942 (Av.) | 276.31 | 132.82 | 222.39 | 120.22 | 553 | 243 |
| 1942 (Av.) | 257.84 | 123.95 | 211.46 | 114.32 | 375 | 164 |
| 1940 (Av.) | 241.96 | 116.31 | 202.81 | 109.64 | 269 | 118 |
| 1939 (Av.) | 235.51 | 113.21 | 197.44 | 106.73 | 211 | 92 |




## MATERIAL SHIPMENTS . . . . . BUILDING PERMITS

| | February 1942 | February 1943 | % Change | Jan. 1943 | % Change Jan.-Feb. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| eel (% operating capacity) A. I. S. I. | 96.3 | 98.1 | +1.9 | 97.5 | +0.6 |

| | January 1942 | January 1943 | % Change | Dec. 1942 | Jan. 1943 | % Change |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| bricated Structural Steel, tons, A.I.S.C. | 167,753 | 105,869 | −36.8 | 145,280 | 105,869 | −27.2 |
| ment, thous. bbl., U. S. B. of M. | 9,115 | ..... | ..... | 8,923 | ..... | ..... |
| ilding Permits, Dun & Bradstreet (,000 omitted) | $62,324 | $28,854 | −53.7 | $38,847 | $28,854 | −25.7 |

## COST OF LIVING INDEXES . . . EMPLOYMENT

| | January 1942 | January 1943 | % Change | Dec. 1942 | % Change Dec.-Jan. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ost of Living Index, N. I. C. B. | 94.5 | 101.4 | +7.3 | 101.0 | +0.4 |
| ent (Housing) Index, N. I. C. B. | 90.1 | 90.8 | +0.8 | 90.8 | 0 |
| otal Employment (est.) thous., B. L. S. | 34,876 | 37,906 | +8.7 | 38,942 | −2.6 |
| onstruction Employment (est.) thous., B. L. S. | 1,762 | 1,888 | +7.2 | 1,724 | +9.4 |

## ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS——ENGINEERING NEWS-RECORD——FEBRUARY 1943

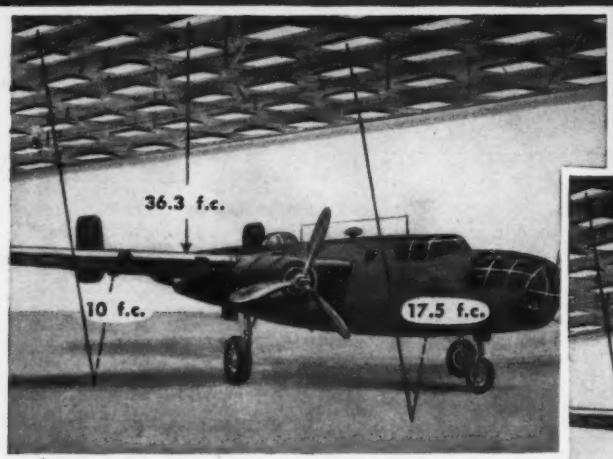
Engineering News-Record *reports projects of the following minimum costs—waterworks excavation, drainage and irrigation,* $15,000; *other public works,* $25,000; *industrial buildings,* $40,000; *other buildings,* $150,000

Four Weeks—Thousands of Dollars (000 Omitted)

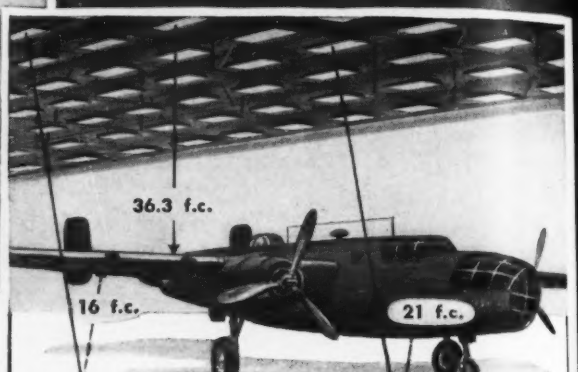
| Public Works | New England | Middle Atlantic | South | Mid West | West of Mississippi | Far West | United States February 1943 | United States Two Months 1943 | United States Two Months 1942 | Canada |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Waterworks | 123 | 125 | 1,590 | 64 | 1,494 | 472 | 3,868 | 8,352 | 16,572 | ..... |
| Sewerage | 124 | 444 | 606 | 27 | 672 | 576 | 2,449 | 5,092 | 12,580 | ..... |
| Bridges, public | 25 | 28 | 133 | 105 | 548 | 96 | 935 | 2,906 | 13,244 | 50 |
| Earthwork and waterways | ..... | ..... | 697 | ..... | 747 | 424 | 1,868 | 3,256 | 146,628 | ..... |
| Streets and roads | 48 | 700 | 1,777 | ..... | 2,087 | 1,526 | 6,138 | 22,624 | 48,513 | 2,840 |
| Buildings, public | 5,979 | 19,072 | 50,518 | 16,817 | 34,471 | 45,811 | 172,668 | 311,436 | 735,854 | 260 |
| Unclassified, public | 6,051 | 6,239 | 12,021 | 2,380 | 15,392 | 39,672 | 81,755 | 127,343 | 169,807 | 623 |
| **Total public** | **12,350** | **26,608** | **67,342** | **19,393** | **55,411** | **88,577** | **269,681** | **481,009** | **1,143,198** | **3,773** |
| Federal government (included in above classifications) | 12,242 | 26,139 | 66,169 | 19,286 | 53,493 | 87,555 | 264,884 | 464,140 | 1,023,287 | ..... |
| **Private** | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bridges, private | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1,500 | 105 | ..... |
| Industrial buildings | 934 | 200 | 440 | 20,845 | 450 | 310 | 23,179 | 28,121 | 52,809 | 417 |
| Commercial buildings | 1,354 | 1,977 | 645 | 2,675 | 771 | 2,660 | 10,082 | 18,456 | 53,555 | 640 |
| Unclassified, public | ..... | 65 | 135 | 2,540 | 404 | 156 | 3,300 | 3,982 | 13,936 | 540 |
| **Total private** | **2,288** | **2,242** | **1,220** | **26,060** | **1,625** | **3,126** | **36,561** | **52,059** | **120,405** | **1,597** |
| **Total Engineering Construction:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **February, 1943 — 4 weeks** | **14,638** | **28,850** | **68,562** | **45,453** | **57,036** | **91,703** | **306,242** | ..... | ..... | **5,370** |
| January, 1943 — 4 weeks | 12,279 | 23,470 | 60,517 | 8,888 | 65,323 | 56,349 | 226,826 | ..... | ..... | 9,531 |
| February, 1942 — 4 weeks | 15,617 | 78,540 | 117,572 | 128,508 | 134,346 | 160,240 | 634,823 | ..... | ..... | 9,039 |
| **Two Months — 1943** | **26,917** | **52,320** | **129,079** | **54,341** | **122,359** | **148,052** | ..... | **533,068** | ..... | **14,901** |
| Two Months — 1942 | 39,891 | 219,297 | 347,080 | 217,251 | 212,904 | 227,180 | ..... | ..... | 1,263,603 | 16,895 |

# How Light-Reflecting Floors Increase Lighting Efficiency

White-cement floors save light by reflecting it—increase the amount of light on vertical work surfaces and in those hard-to-get-at dark areas.




**GRAY-CEMENT FLOOR**
*Reflection factor 27.4 per cent.*




**WHITE-CEMENT FLOOR**
*Reflection factor 44.0 per cent.*

**LIGHTING INSTALLATIONS** in many plants financed by the Defense Plant Corporation are designed to provide about 36 footcandles of light . . . on *horizontal* working surfaces. So far, so good.

But what about other surfaces? What about illumination on vertical faces where so much work must be done? One way to increase the benefit of the investment made in the lighting system is by reflection of light from the floor. And the amount of light a floor will reflect is dependent upon its color. Tests on a 36.3-footcandle installation showed that if the floor is of gray cement, about 17.5 footcandles of light will fall on vertical surfaces. But if the floor is of light-colored concrete made with Atlas White portland cement, about 21.0 footcandles of light will fall upon these surfaces . . . a 20% increase! Compared with a still darker floor, the increase would be even more.

These light-reflecting floors also increase the amount of light on undersurfaces to an even greater extent. Tests on this same installation showed that compared to gray-cement floors, white-cement floors reflect 61% more light onto undersurfaces. Compared with still darker floors, the increase would be much more.

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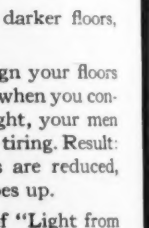


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## nterest in postwar work enewed in Congress

**egislation introduced to finance preparation of plans or postwar construction. Twenty-five states have submitted postwar road plans to the PRA.**

enewed interest in Congress in building up a reserve of projects that may be under construction quickly after the is shown by legislation recently introduced into that body. A bill introed into the House by Representative A. Lynch (*ENR*, March 4, p. 321) ld set up a fund of $100,000,000 for s to federal, state and local agencies advance preparation of plans, and re is now pending in the Senate a olution to set up a committee to exore the subject of postwar economy d planning broadly, going into the ld of private as well as public underkings.

### Actual road plans

Meanwhile, specific information as to stwar plans come from Major Genal Philip B. Fleming, head of the deral Works Agency, who, on March announced that 22 states have taken $3,631,000 of the $10,000,000 provided by Congress under the Defense Highway Act of 1941 to be allocated the states on a 50-50 basis to defray the cost of postwar planning. States now doing such planning are Alabama, California, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, rth Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylhia, Vermont, Washington and West rginia. Three other states, South Caroa, South Dakota and Nebraska have ograms that are being considered by the Public Roads Administration.

Estimated construction cost of this rk, based on 4 percent preliminary gineering, would be $175,775,000. The ojects include 7 urban limited-access ghways, 9 rural limited-access highys, 40 major city arteries, 80 alternate utes around cities and 85 major rural ghways.

Thomas H. MacDonald, head of the ublic Roads Administration, in commenting on this program, said that plans for nearly $500,000,000 of work are rapidly developing. This would amount to nearly two years work under the normal federal-aid road program.

### Large road program proposed

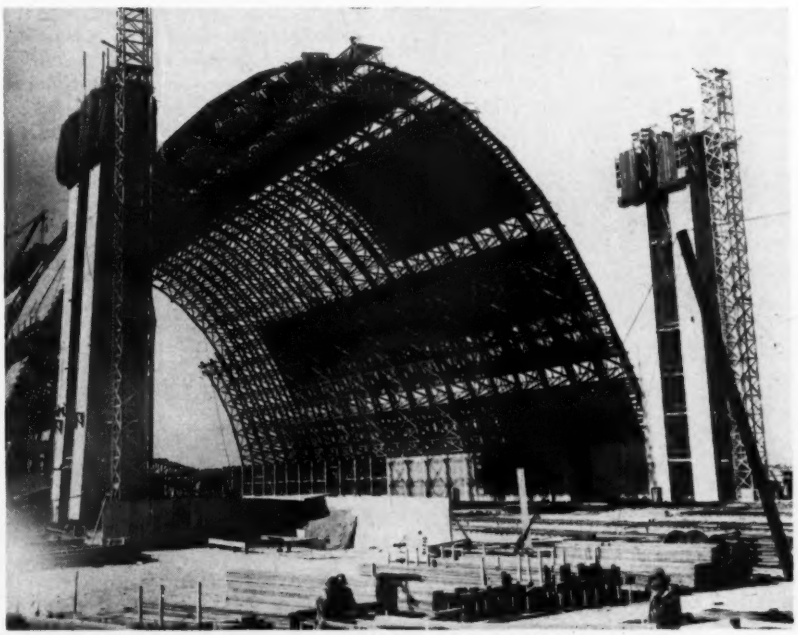
A far more grandiose scheme, cover-

(*Continued on p.* 90)

## *Many states planning road equipment pools*

Forty-two states have reported to the Governmental Division of the War Production Board that they are working on plans for the pooling of road equipment (*ENR*, March 4, p. 321) and the plans of 13 states have been approved by the division.

In urging the states to set up these pools, the Governmental Division points out that practically no new equipment will be available in the near future, hence the maximum use of existing equipment will be necessary if current needs are to be met. The division is anxious to have pooling arrangements set up on a voluntary basis, as it is not its policy to use the WPB's almost unlimited powers arbitrarily.



## *Blimp hangar of fire-resistant wood*

*Largest of the timber structures used in war projects are the 246-ft. span, 171 ft. high hangars for Navy patrol blimps (ENR Oct. 22, 1942, p. 576). Each of several hangars being built throughout the country uses 3,000,000 b. ft. of fire-resistant lumber of which 750,000 b. ft. are represented by heavy timbers in the arch frame.*

*Hangars have 51 arch-frames, spaced 20 ft. c. to c. to provide a clear length of 1,000 ft. Concrete pylons at the ends of the structure support a heavy timber box girder for top guides of the six-leaf 120 ft. high, segmental steel doors.*

*The design of the structure was made by the Bureau of Yards and Docks of the Navy. Construction is being done by contractors using widely different methods of erection at different locations. Some of these methods will be described in early issues of News-Record.*

## Frame for world's largest timber factory completed

Completion of the framework, on Feb. 22, of what is claimed to be the largest factory building in the world constructed of timber was marked by ceremonies at which the first facts about this significant structure were released for publication. Designed and built by The Austin Co., Cleveland, under the supervision of the Corps of Engineers, the factory, located near Chicago, will be operated by the Douglas Aircraft Co. in the manufacture of C-54 four-engine army transport planes.

The size of the project is indicated by its requirement of 27-million board feet of timber and by the fact that the main assembly bay is spanned by 150-ft. trusses weighing up to 70 tons each. Jack trusses, which support the ends of these long trusses at a point where the assembly bay intersects another bay at right angles, are of even heavier construction per foot of length than the long trusses. All columns are of glued laminated construction, to reduce the need for solid timbers; the largest ones, made up of two legs separated by spacer blocks, are 17½x34 ⅜-in. in section, and 54 ft. long. Both flat and sawtooth roofs are used.

Major emphasis in the design of the factory was placed on the conservation of critical materials, some 30,000 tons of metal, including 20,000 tons of steel, being the estimated saving. Metal use was confined to nails, ring connectors and steam and sprinkler piping.

Subfloor water and process lines are cement-asbestos; drainage pipes are wood; downspouts are fiber; manhole covers, window sash, powerhouse gratings and similar accessories are wood; toolroom and inspection bays use wood lattice instead of steel netting; ventilating ducts and heater and radiator housings are non-metallic; siding is cement-asbestos and roof flashing is of fabric. Wiring tubes are fiber and plastic, protected for a few feet above the floor level with wood bulwarks. Copper wiring is reduced by 33 percent. Bus ducts are supported on wooden trestles, and plastic-covered power lines to machines are on swinging wooden arms hinged to posts. The fluorescent lighting uses white enameled pressed-wood reflectors instead of ones made of porcelain enameled steel. Copper and aluminum are saved by employing four-lamp instead of two-lamp ballasts in the fluorescent fixtures.

Albert S. Low, vice president and chief engineer of The Austin Co., was in charge of the job, and Major William A. Bonnet was area engineer.

*Raising a 150-ft. span truss in world's largest timber factory.*

## Engineering training offered students by Navy

Students receiving specialized engineering training, under the Navy's college training program, in preparation for Navy commissions, will undertake a course of eight sixteen-week terms, it has been announced. The first two terms will be general, emphasizing college-grade work in mathematics, science, English, history, engineering drawing, and physical education; subsequent terms will offer more specialized studies.

Eligible for the courses will be college men now enrolled in one of the Navy's reserves, high school graduates and seniors from 17-20, and enlisted men in the Navy, Coast Guard, and Marines. Successful candidates will be given a chance to express a preference for a particular branch of study, but won't necessarily get what they ask for. The training program, known as the V-12, will be followed by specialized Naval officer training. During V-12 service, students will have the pay and rating of apprentice seamen.

Applications will be received, through high school principals and college officials, until April 2.

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## Arkansas is paid for roads flooded by dam

An agreement has been reached between the Arkansas State Highway Commission and the Corps of Engineers, whereby the State will receive $1,422,000 of federal funds in payment for replacement of U. S. Highway 62 and State Highway 101, which will be made necessary by flooding of the roads when the Norfork Dam reservoir is filled. Highway 62 will be flooded early in May.

After deducting from the $1,422,000 the cost of building and operating a ferry near Henderson for two years following the inundation of the highway, the commission voted to segregate the balance for postwar use.

## Charles G. Atkin, new head of engineering firm

Charles G. Atkin, formerly vice-president in charge of engineering for the H. K. Ferguson Co., of Cleveland, Ohio, has been elected president of the Osborn Engineering Co., which was founded in 1892, and which is the oldest engineering firm in Cleveland. The company has acquired a high reputation as consulting engineers, and designers of industrial plants, listing among its clients some of the leading concerns of the middle west. The company is recognized as the foremost authority in the country on the design of stadiums and athletic buildings.

Mr. Atkin is a graduate of Union College of Schenectady, N. Y., class of 1911, and served as a major of artillery in World War I. He came to Cleveland in 1919 as district manager of Lockwood Greene Engineers, Inc., of New York, and joined the Ferguson Company in 1930.

# ew York State professional engineers rge early start in postwar plans

**ate legislature requested to start planning now for postwar construction. Examinations for engineers-in-training to start in June.**

e importance of making plans now postwar construction was urged the state legislature by the New State Society of Professional Enrs in a resolution adopted at its winter meeting held in Albany Feb. 7. A similar resolution petitioned National Society of Professional Enrs to take an active part in stimng the planning of necessary public rovement projects throughout the try so that a vast reservoir of such ects will be available to absorb the ions of workers from the military es and the war industries in an orly manner at the close of the war.

### Engineers-in-training

etails of the program of the New k State Department of Education for ding its engineer license examinas into two parts were presented to meeting by Irwin A. Conroe, assistt commissioner of the department.

The New York State Education Deartment has authorized the state's engirs' examining board to begin on e 1, 1943, the examination of young ineers who are applying for license to ctice as professional engineers in the e before they have attained the four rs of practical experience called for the state engineer license law. Herebre, the board has not given the exination in engineering fundamentals til engineers had required sufficient ctical experience to permit them to pply for a license.

Applicants for examination as "engirs-in-training" must be at least 21 ars of age, must satisfy the present izenship requirements, must have comted an approved secondary school rse of study or the equivalent, and st have endorsements of character aptitude from three or more regised professional engineers who are rsonally acquainted with the applit and his record. In addition, the ndidate must be a graduate from an gineering school approved by the State Education Department or must erwise satisfy the educational requirents specified by the board. Candidates successfully passing the preinary examination will be certified the department and recorded for a riod not exceeding ten years as engineers-in-training. Final examinations y be taken any time within the tenar period after obtaining the necesry four years of practical experience isfactory to the board.

The application and examination fee for this preliminary examination is $15, which will be credited towards the $25 fee for the combined examinations and license.

### Joint responsibility

Another subject discussed at the meeting was the joint responsibility of engineers and building officials in the development of better building work in our cities, discussion being opened by Walker S. Lee, commissioner of public buildings, Rochester, N. Y.

The board of directors of the society, at its meeting held in advance of the general sessions, gave consideration to numerous amendments to the constitution of the society, amendments that will result in extensive revision of the constitution. Details of the proposed changes are to be published soon.

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## Power production to start at Denison Dam, Jan. 1

Announcement is made by Col. William W. Wanamaker, chief of Denison District Army Engineers, that power production at Denison Dam will be started by Jan. 1, 1944. The original program called for production by Sept. 1 of the coming year.

Denison Dam, in Texas on the Red River, is a 50-million dollar flood control and power project.

Construction is about 60 percent complete, and said Colonel Wanamaker, "Unless we encounter unusually severe weather, the embankment in the closure section will reach the 600-ft. elevation by April 1. At this level we can control any flood the size of any occurring during the last 37 years, except the 1908 flood, without damage to any phase of the construction work."

## Tons of scrap wire from Tacoma Narrows Bridge

*About 4,000 tons of No. 6 high-strength steel wire, with a tensile strength of 120 lb. per sq. in., is being salvaged from the big cables of the ill-fated Tacoma Narrows Bridge, which collapsed on Nov. 7, 1940.*

*Normally, removal of the old cables and the towers would have been deferred until such time as it could have been done as part of the contract for the bridge to be erected, particularly as cost probably would be somewhat less after the war. The need for steel in the war effort, however, made it expedient to proceed now with the dismantling, even though the construction of a new bridge has been postponed for the duration.*

*Equipment designed with little priorities, (ENR, Jan. 14, p. 35), is unspinning the main cables 24 at a time—a rate that brings the total weight of wire removed to 100 tons per eight hours.*

*The demolition is being done under a cost-plus-a-fixed-fee contract that was awarded to Philip Murphy and Woodworth & Co. Inc. Work started August 31, 1942, and is to be completed about April 1 of this year. Grover C. McLain (who was superintendent for Roebling Bros.) during spinning of the cables, is superintendent on the demolition contract. Charles E. Andrews, chief consulting engineer, Washington Toll Bridge Authority, is in charge of the work at the Tacoma Narrows Bridge for the state of Washington.*

## Trans-Isthmus Highway open to public April 1

Panama's Trans-Isthmian Highway, connecting Colon on the Caribbean Sea with the existing concrete highway from Panama City on the Bay of Panama to Madden Dam, will be opened for civilian use on April 1, according to press reports from Panama.

Construction of this 24½-mile section was described in *ENR*, July 17, 1941, p. 96. The highway is a divided-lane road 40 ft. wide with two 10-ft. lanes of reinforced concrete separated by 4-ft. strips of oil-treated gravel. Shoulders are 8 ft. wide. The roadway was designed for the H15 loading of the American Association of State Highway Officials and the H15-S12 loading was used throughout in the design of bridges and culverts. Structures designed for this loading are capable of carrying 55-ton tanks.

Estimated cost of this section from Madden Dam to Colon is $4,000,000. All engineering and construction work was carried out by the Public Roads Administration under an agreement with Panama, construction having been carried out by force account.

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## High Point hydro-electric project debt to be paid

After much litigation carried on over a three-year period, the city of High Point, N. C., is now in position to pay off the contractors for services performed on the city's $8,000,000 hydro-electric project, which was due at the time the construction program was suddenly halted several years ago.

The North Carolina Senate has enacted into law a House bill that authorizes the city of High Point, to use federal funds now in its possession to pay off the contractors. The total sum amounts to about $400,000. Payments are to be made as follows: Maxon Construction Co., $364,300.08; Baldwin-Southwark Corp., $39,359.99; Murray & Flood, Inc., $30,368.06; R. E. Faw, Jr., $382.17; and D. F. Dalton, $132.24.

Work on the project was halted in June 1939 when the courts ruled that the city was without authority to erect the power plant. The case was taken to the North Carolina supreme court twice, but each time the ruling against the city was upheld, and after the final adverse ruling in January, 1941, the project was taken over by the Public Works Administration of the Federal Works Agency. Plans were underway to resume construction on the grounds that the project was "essential to the war program" when the idea was abandoned because of the scarcity of vital materials.

# JOBS OF THE WEEK

**PLANT, Alabama**
Reynolds Alloys Corp., Sheffield, awarded contract for plant additions to Andr Weston Co., New York, N. Y. Estimated cost $3,500,000. W. J. Knight & Co., S Louis, Mo., are engineers.

**FACILITIES, Hunters Point, Calif.**
Yards & Docks, Navy Dept., Washington, D. C., awarded contract to Barrett Hilp, San Francisco, Calif., for additional facilities and dry docks at a co of $3,865,300.

**FACILITIES, Bayonne, N. J.**
George H. Flinn Corp., New York, N. Y., and Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Co Chicago, Ill., have been awarded contract for additional facilities by Bureau Yards & Docks, Navy Dept., Washington, D. C., at a cost of $4,976,900.

**HOUSING, Niagara Falls, N. Y.**
Public Housing Authority, New York, N. Y., awarded contract for 1,200 dwe ings to Border Building Co., Buffalo; John A. Johnson & Sons, Inc., Brookl and M. Shapiro & Sons, New York, at cost of $2,140,392, and 500 dwellings Bush Construction Co., New York, at $833,500.

**BUILDINGS, Kansas**
Jones-Hettelstater Construction Co., Kansas City, Mo., has been awarded co tract by U. S. Engineers, Kansas City, for buildings. Estimated cost $1,000,0 Tanner & Mitchell, Horner & Wyatt, Kansas City, Mo., are architects.

**HOUSING, Philadelphia, Pa.**
Psaty & Fuhrman, Inc., New York, N. Y., awarded contract for the construc of temporary dwellings, by Philadelphia Housing Authority, Philadelphia. Co tract price $1,479,650. Demchick & Supowitz, G. B. Idell, and H. Shay, Phil delphia, are architects.

**HOUSING, Pennsylvania**
C. B. Ross, Inc., New York, N. Y., awarded contract for housing by Philadelph Housing Authority, Philadelphia. Cost $1,454,400. Davis & Dunlap, and Willia Sims and Talbutt, Phila., are architects.

**PAVING, New York**
Good Roads Engineering & Construction Co., Inc., and William P. McDonal Corp., Flushing, has been awarded contract for paving in Westchester Co. b U. S. Engineers, New York, N. Y. Estimated cost $500,000-$1,000,000.

**BUILDINGS, Michigan**
U. S. Engineers, Detroit, Mich., awarded contract for dismantling and movi existing buildings, and erecting same, T. O. Type buildings, roads, walks, ele trical distribution Jackson Co. to Owen-Ames-Kimball, Grand Rapids, Mich Estimated $1,000,000.

**IMPROVEMENTS, Nebraska**
Olson-Assenmacher-Rokahr, Lincoln, has been awarded contract for improv ments, Fillmore County. Estimated cost $2,000,000.

**IMPROVEMENTS, Nebraska**
Sioux Syndicate, Omaha, Neb., has been awarded contract for improvement and additions, Hall County by U. S. Engineers, Omaha. Estimated cost $2,000,00

**IMPROVEMENTS, Nebraska**
Patti & McDonald, Kansas City, Mo., has been awarded contract by U. S. Eng neers, Kansas City, Mo., for extensions and improvements, Redwillow Co. Est mated cost $2,000,000.

**IMPROVEMENTS, Nebraska**
Olson-Assenmacher-Rokahr, Lincoln, Nebr., has been awarded contract fo extensions and improvements, in Clay County by U. S. Engineers, Omaha. Est mated cost $2,000,000.

**IMPROVEMENTS, Nebraska**
U. S. Engineers, Omaha, Neb., awarded contract for improvements and exte sions, Buffalo County to Peter Kiewit Sons Co., Omaha, Neb. Estimated co $2,000,000.

**IMPROVEMENTS, Nebraska**
U. S. Engineers, Omaha, Neb., awarded contract for improvements, Thayer Count to Lancaster Corp., Omaha, Neb. Estimated cost $2,000,000.

Note—Additional bidding and contract news on many projects large and small appear in the Construc News section beginning on page 199.

## Normandie salvage job enters new stage

***Work preparatory to righting the former French liner to be completed in the early summer***

Divers are working through the winter to close nearly 400 portholes and several cargo ports, and about 500 openings in the section of the deck now under water on the U.S.S. Lafayette, formerly the French liner, Normandie. The liner burned and overturned at its pier in New York on Feb. 10, 1942.

Work is slow due to the necessity for carrying it on in water so black that it is impossible to see at all. Also, much mud has settled in the ship, most of which must be removed to permit divers to get to the openings.

Portholes are being plugged by a patch that folds to go through the opening and then is held from the inside by toggle bolts while concrete is placed to assist in sealing the openings. Ports are closed by substantial steel and timber frames attached on the outside of the hull and against which concrete is placed.

Transverse bulkheads of timber are being placed between the decks of the ship so that sections may be pumped out individually and movement of water in the hull controlled. The bulkheads are held by bolting two angle irons above and below the deck steel to make a slot into which 8-in. thick, grooved and splined timbers can be slipped. The steel is stripped bare and bolt holes are made by underwater drilling. Timbers span roughly 9 ft. between the decks. Connections are made watertight, and the angles reinforced against movement by forming, with wood, a triangular pocket into which concrete is tremied. When complete, the concrete at each bulkhead is roughly a diamond shape, cut in one direction by the steel deck, and in the other by the timber bulkhead.

This work is slow due to working in the dark in as much as 60 ft. of water. It is expected, however, that the placing of the bulkheads and stopping of openings will be completed by early summer. Pumping will then be undertaken to lighten the ship and lift it from the bottom then, by controlled pumping in planned areas, to slowly right the ship.

Meanwhile, a section of the pier at which the Lafayette lies is to be removed so that it will not interfere with the righting of the ship. Pumps are being installed and pumping plans are being prepared to show stability and metacenters for progressive conditions of the ship as it is pumped out.

All will be in readiness to salvage the 1,029-ft. long, 56,000-ton ship when the divers finish their work. Actual righting is expected to require from a week to a month, followed by a period of several months in drydock to rehabilitate the liner for war service.

The salvage work is being done by the Bureau of Ships of the Navy under Capt. William A. Sullivan, supervisor of salvage; Comdr. B. E. Manseau, acting supervisor of salvage, and Lt. Comdr. C. F. Chandler.

The actual salvage operations are directed by the Marine Salvage Division of the Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp., for whom Capt. John I. Tooker is general superintendent. The Navy has taken over the Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp's salvage fleet (*ENR*, Jan. 29, 1942, p. 166) and has an arrangement with the firm for direction of salvage operations under Naval auspices.

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## First contracts signed for Army engineer schools

The War Department last week signed its first contracts for training by colleges of young enlisted men. The contracts, all covering engineering training, were made with Purdue, Virginia Polytechnic, Rutgers, West Virginia, U. of Minnesota, A.&M. College of Texas, Oregon State, and Georgia Tech. A large number of colleges have already been approved by a joint Army-Navy-Manpower committee as suitable for training of Army and Navy men, but these are the first to receive contracts.

Meanwhile, prospects lessened that the government will undertake a program of federally-financed training of civilian technicians in the colleges. Such a program has been under consideration ever since the plans for training of military technicians was first announced (*ENR*, Feb. 11, p. 169). However, the War Manpower Commission, it is understood, is increasingly doubtful that it can obtain Congressional approval of its plans.

But while publicly financed technical education thus gets a setback, the possibilities for continuation of some technical training for young civilians on the ordinary private basis were improved by modification of the draft regulations. In an amendment to its Occupational Bulletin No. 11, the Selective Service made it possible for young men to start accellerated courses of college grade without being drafted.

Previous regulations have permitted draft boards to defer undergraduate and graduate students in engineering subjects provided they were in good standing and had completed at least a year of their course. Under the new regulation, any student doing promising work in an engineering subject may be deferred if his course of study will be completed by July 1, 1945.

## New York takes action on postwar market facilities

New York City's capital outlay budget for 1943 will be amended to provide funds at once for engineering and architectural services in designing a primary terminal market that will cost "several millions of dollars", according to Mayor F. H. La Guardia.

In making this announcement on March 7, the mayor said that he had named a committee, consisting of Irving V. A. Huie, commissioner of public works, Daniel P. Wooley, commissioner of markets, Robert Moses, commissioner of parks and Walter P. Hedden, of the Port of New York Authority, to recommend the type and site of the new market. Actual construction of the new project to facilitate handling of fruits and vegetables, which is to be the largest of its kind in the country, might have to await the end of the war, in which case it will be added to the city's already big list of postwar construction projects.

### Hope for federal aid

The postwar public works agenda in New York City, which now calls for preparing plans and specifications for about $680,000,000 of construction, has been praised by President Roosevelt. In a letter to the mayor the President expressed the hope that the "pioneering" being done by New York City would make the Congress more favorably inclined toward providing federal aid for similar postwar planning in cities and states.

Legislation to authorize federal appropriations for preparation of detailed public works plans by municipalities failed to pass last year, but is now up again for Congressional action.

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## Special water rate for Victory garden patrons

After a year of experience with special water rates for victory gardeners, Los Angeles can add its approval to the request of Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard that every city and suburban family with available ground, join in the 1943 victory garden program. Los Angeles reports that the special water rates announced in *Engineering News-Record*, April 9, 1942, p. 527, have already given an important lift to the food supply problem. Last year more than 17,000 victory gardeners in that city qualified for the rebate plan and their savings on water bills totaled $51,000.

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## Interest in postwar work renewed in Congress

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ing postwar highway work, has been proposed to the roads committee of the House of Representatives by the American Association of State Highway Officials, and was well received. The association urged that Congress immediately authorize a billion-dollar-a-year road program covering the three years following the end of the war. It is proposed that the authorization would be on the same basis as that used heretofore in authorizing appropriation of federal-aid highway funds. Thus the states would be enabled to proceed immediately to extensive advance work.

In addition to this work by the PRA, the pending appropriation for the Federal Works Agency contains a half million dollars for advance engineering on the monumental type of public building handled by the Public Buildings Administration.

The bill introduced into the House by Representative Lynch covers all types of public works. It would authorize appropriation of $25,000,000 for the use of federal agencies in planning for federal projects and $75,000,000 for projects sponsored by local agencies. The latter would be expected to contribute 25 percent of the cost.

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## Charles T. Main, builder of industrial plants, dies

Charles T. Main, founder of the industrial engineering firm of Chas. T. Main, Inc., Boston, died at Winchester, Mass., March 6, in his 87th year. A graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the mechanical engineering class of 1876, Mr. Main entered the industrial building field in New England after a few years of teaching. Subsequently he expanded his activities to include power development and more recently, valuation work. In 1893 he became a member of the firm of Dean & Main, and in 1907 set up his own organization. He was a past president of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers and an honorary member of the Institute of Consulting Engineers.

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## Two bridges to be raised over Tennessee River

In order to maintain traffic routes across the Kentucky Reservoir, which the Tennessee Valley Authority will create by erection of the Gilbertsville, Ky., Dam, two bridges over the Tennessee River will be raised.

Eggners Ferry Bridge, carrying U. S. Highway 68 between Benton and Cadiz, Ky., will be raised 25 ft., and the Scott-Fitzhugh bridge, carrying State Highway 76 between Paris and Dover, Tenn., will be raised 14 ft.

Raising of the two highway bridges, according to an announcement by Rust Engineering Co., Birmingham, Ala., will be carried out by their organization at a cost slightly under a million dollars. It is understood that this cost is about half the expense that would be required to replace them with new structures.

Gantry cranes of 200-ton capacity, and jacks with capacities of up to 300 tons will be employed on this work, and precast concrete cribbing will be used.

## Dock supervisors wanted by Corps of Engineers

Maj. Gen. Milton A. Reckford, commander of the 3rd Service Command, Corps of Engineers, Philadelphia, Pa., announced Feb. 25, that commissions are now being offered by the Corps to men with experience in supervisory work on docks.

Candidates with experience in the practical aspects of engineering, crane operation, divers or contractors' superintendents may win commissions as lieutenants, captains or even higher ranks, according to General Reckford, and those interested should place their applications immediately.

## Walter C. Mendenhall, of Geological Survey, retires

Walter C. Mendenhall, director of the Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, retired from active service on Feb. 27. He had been actively engaged as a scientist in the Survey Service for over 48 years.

Beginning in 1892, while still in college, as a teamster for a survey field party at $40 a month, Mr. Mendenhall remained to serve in four of the Survey's five branches, to head two of them and finally to become director in 1931. He had carried out assignments in many of the Eastern and nearly all the Western states, Alaska, and the Hawaiian Islands. He was twice exempted by President Roosevelt for one year each from compulsory retirement for age after he was 70 years old.

Dr. Julian D. Sears, now administrative geologist, will replace him temporarily as acting director.

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## Scrap iron collection nets 14,800,000 tons

Scrap collections of iron and steel during the last six months of 1942 were 95.7 percent of the national quota of 17,000,000 tons. This information was announced by Paul C. Cabot, director of the Salvage Division, War Production Board, Mar. 1.

A total of 14,800,000 tons of scrap iron and steel combined, were shipped to consuming mills and nearly 1,500,000 net tons were in the hands of suppliers ready for shipment to consumers. Total of available stocks of purchased scrap on Dec. 31, 1942, amounted to 6,160,000 net tons which, together with 1,600,000 net tons of domestic scrap, brought total visible stocks to 7,760,000 net tons at the end of the year. This inventory was substantially in excess of the 7,000,000 net tons of stocks, which was the objective set for last summer.

For the last half of 1942, Vermont, with 162.9 percent of quota, topped the list of states on shipments and suppliers' inventories. New Jersey, with 136.8 percent of quota was the leading state in terms of actual shipments to mills.

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## Seabees to dedicate new training center

A new training center for the Seabees, U. S. Navy Construction Battalions, at Davisville, R. I., will be dedicated April 4. It will be named in honor of the late Rear Admiral Mordecai T. Endicott, "father" of the Civil Engineering Corps of the Navy.

Accommodations are provided for ten battalions in addition to the station force, a total of about 13,000 men.

Rear Admiral Endicott, one of the first civil engineer officers of the Navy, was commissioned a commander in 1881 when civil engineers were first given relative rank with naval officers. He was one of ten officers, and second on the list who left civilian status to become part of the navy at that time.

In 1898 he was made chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks with the relative rank of Commodore, the first member of the Civil Engineer Corps to hold that rank—changed to Rear Admiral in 1899 when relative rank was abolished and civil engineers were given the same status as other naval officers. He continued as chief of the Bureau until 1906, when he was retired, but continued to serve on special duty assignments until more than three years later. In 1917 he returned to the service on special duty in the Bureau, and retired in 1920 at the age of 76.

Death came to this distinguished civil engineer on Mar. 5, 1926.

## OBITUARY

**...ew H. Harkness,** one of Canada's ...ing structural engineers, died sud...y at his home in Toronto Feb. 28 ...the age of 70. Senior member of ... consulting firm of Harkness and ...tzberg of Toronto, Mr. Harkness had ... responsible for the structural work ...many of Canada's leading buildings, ...uding the Sun Life Building, Mont... largest office building in the Brit... Empire, the Parliament buildings ... Ottawa, the Canada Life Building ... Toronto, and many others. In 1935 ... received the highest award for out...ding merit in his profession, the ... John Kennedy medal of the Engi...ring Institute of Canada.

**...ed T. Williams,** 66, Sanford, Fla., ...y and county engineer, died Feb. 26 ... Orlando. Mr. Williams was one of ... founders of the Florida Engineer... Society and served as director of ... Waterways and Good Roads Com...ssion of Seminole County.

**Frank J. Eager,** 65, died Feb. 27 at ...lbury, Ont. Mr. Eager at one time ...ved as an engineer on construction ... subway facilities at Boston, Mass., ... was widely known in mining engi...ring circles.

**... Abbott, Sr.,** 73, city engineer of Greenwood, Miss., who had been in ...rge of most of the major engineer...ng projects in Leflore County for the ...t 27 years, died Feb. 12.

**William H. Geisler,** 59, died Feb. 28 ... Philadelphia, Pa. Mr. Geisler was ... graduate civil engineer of the Uni...versity of Pennsylvania in the class of 1906.

**Henry E. Gabriels, Sr.,** 57, former city manager of Watervliet, N. Y., and one-time commissioner of public works and city engineer of Cohoes, N. Y., died Mar. 7 at Glens Falls, N. Y.

# CONTRACTS AND CAPITAL

CIVIL ENGINEERING construction volume for the week, $90,400,000, is 5 percent higher than in the preceding week, but is 32 percent below the total for the corresponding 1942 week. Public construction tops last week by 7 percent due to the 10 percent gain in federal work. Private work, however, is 16 percent below a week ago. Comparisons with the 1942 week reveal public volume 29 percent lower; private work down 63 percent; and federal construction off 24 percent.

The current week's construction brings 1943 volume to $709,277,000, an average of $70,928,000 for each of the ten weeks of the year. On the weekly average basis, 1943 volume is 49 percent below the $1,542,271,000 reported for the eleven-week period last year. Private work, $61,893,000, is 56 percent lower, and public work is down 49 percent when adjusted for the difference in the number of weeks.

In the classified construction groups, gains over last week are in bridges, streets and roads, and unclassified construction. Increases over the 1942 week are in sewerage, and unclassified construction.

New capital for construction purposes for the week totals $29,720,000, an increase of 377 percent over the volume for the week last year. The week's new financing is made up of $26,632,000 in state and municipal bond sales, and $3,088,000 in government loans for public housing.

New construction financing for the year to date, $58,759,000, is 95 percent below the $1,382,371,000 reported for the opening eleven-week period a year ago.

### CONTRACTS

(Thousands of dollars)

| | Week Ending Mar. 12 1942 | Mar. 4 1943 | Mar. 11 1943 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Federal | $110,048 | $76,535 | $83,828 |
| State & Municipal | 11,052 | 3,923 | 2,089 |
| Total public | $121,100 | $80,458 | $85,917 |
| Total private | 12,167 | 5,351 | 4,483 |
| TOTAL | $133,267 | $85,809 | $90,400 |
| Cumulative 1943 (10 weeks) | | | $709,277 |
| 1942 (11 weeks) | | | $1,542,271 |

Note: Minimum size projects included are: Waterworks and waterways projects, $15,000; other public works, $25,000; industrial buildings, $40,000; other buildings, $150,000.

### NEW PRODUCTIVE CAPITAL

| | 1942 Cumulative 11 weeks | 1943 10 weeks |
|---|---|---|
| NON-FEDERAL | $140,416 | $58,759 |
| Corp. Securities | 31,210 | ..... |
| State & Mun. | 95,377 | 54,171 |
| R.F.C. loans | 13,829 | 1,500 |
| FPHA loans | ..... | 3,088 |
| FEDERAL | $1,241,955 | ..... |
| TOTAL CAPITAL | $1,382,371 | $58,759 |

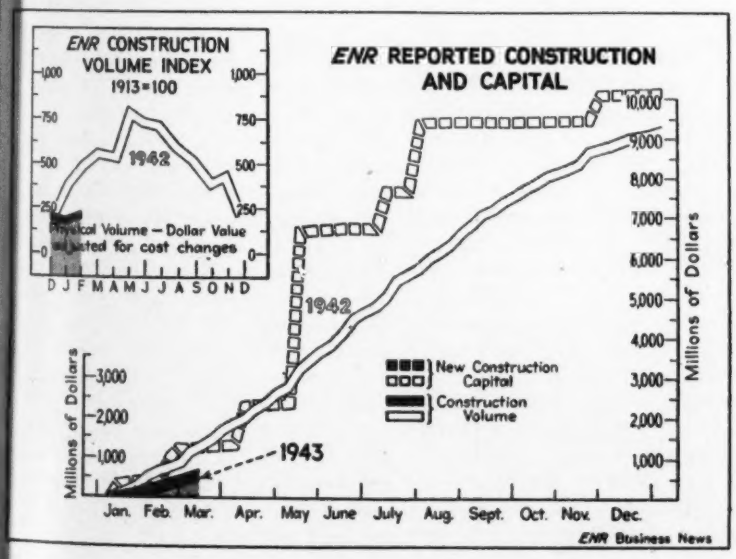
### ENR INDEX NUMBERS

| Index Base = 100 | | 1913 | 1926 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Construction Cost | Mar. '43 | 285.24 | 137.11 |
| Building Cost | Mar. '43 | 226.66 | 122.53 |
| Volume | Jan. '43 | 231 | 101 |

### FHA MORTGAGES

| | Week Ending Mar. 7 1942 | Feb. 27 1943 | Mar. 6 1943 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Selected for Appraisal | | | |
| Title II | $16,455 | $4,296 | $4,732* |
| Title VI | $21,271 | $10,220 | $13,151* |

* Subject to revision.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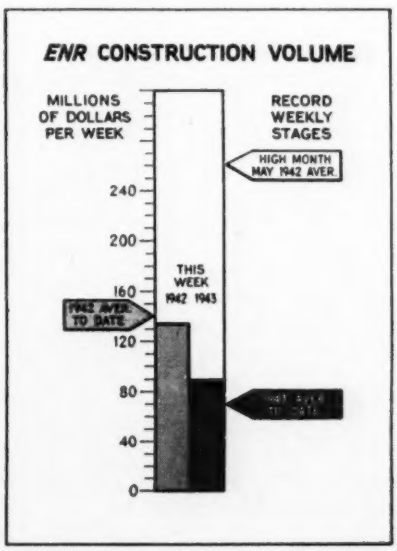
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# Comment and Discussion

**Readers' opinions on matters that concern engineers and contractors**

### Too Big an Army

Sir: The current discussions of the need for engineers in the Army and Navy have served to call attention to the fact that maximum use is not being made of available talent.

That the Army Engineers are capable of brilliant work, when freed from red tape, has been demonstrated times without number but that much of their present work is hopelessly snarled in red tape is too obvious to be debated. As one who has been employed for several months on a large army cantonment project, I can state positively that it is almost impossible to exaggerate the inefficiency that results on some of these jobs.

However, this condition, tragic as it is, is not so disastrous as another that is being accepted without protest, even with enthusiasm, by the nation at large. That is the program that calls for a total of something more than 10 million men in our armed forces.

At the present time the Axis forces probably number less than 12 million men, all told. The organized armies of the United Nations, not counting numerous guerrilla bands, number at least three times that many. According to a Chinese captain now on duty in this country, China alone has 26 million men now organized, drilled, and lacking only arms and ammunition.

Only two things prevent the extermination of all Axis forces within three months: Lack of munitions and lack of transport.

To keep 1,000 soldiers fighting *effectively* requires the services of at least 10,000 workers in munitions plants. Some ordnance engineers put the ratio as high as 15 to 1.

The entire employable population of the United States is about 65 million. That means that we may be able to supply *properly* an army of 5 or 6 million. No more.

As I write this, our soldiers in Africa are desperately trying to strengthen their positions against an expected attack by the Germans. They outnumber the Axis troops probably 2 to 1, yet they are standing on the defensive because they lack the artillery and ammunition that they should have. And here in America we are going ahead with plans to take another 2 million men from the munitions plants, shipyards and farms and put them to drilling with weapons that should be hanging on the walls of historical museums, or better yet, melted down and rebuilt into modern weapons.

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### Another View on WPA

Sir: When I read your editorial concerning the WPA (Dec. 17, 1942, p. 837) I felt that I should write and tell you what I thought. And after reading the letters recently in "Comment and Discussion" I could no longer restrain the desire to express my views.

As a town official for the past 15 years, and as one who was in close touch with most of the WPA projects in my town, I think I am in a position to make a fair estimate of the value of WPA.

It seems to me that the worst feature of the WPA was the degradation to which many of the workers were subjected. Men were placed on work for which they were not qualified and knew that the work was not being conducted in a sound and economic manner. I have seen new men placed in with men who had been on WPA for some time, and have heard the older men tell the new men to take it easy and not "kill" the job. I have seen as many as four common laborers on a WPA job and as many as six men in a more or less supervisory capacity watching over the four laborers. This kind of management certainly did not produce morale, of which we heard so much at that time.

I believe that there were thousands of hard-working engineers on WPA doing their very best to make a success of their jobs, but the odds were against them due to politics and pressure from the higher-ups. I know that on many projects on which the federal government paid the cost of most of the labor and the town paid the cost of materials and other incidentals, that it could have been done much cheaper and more satisfactorily by the town without federal aid. It so happens that this town did abandon all WPA projects some four years ago and the town saved money by so doing. I want to state also that the town has taken very good care of all its needy citizens since that time.

Certainly, engineers who were trained and taught to plan for work in an economical way were being forced to reverse their former ideas and had to unlearn all the knowledge that they had acquired over a period of years through experience and common sense.

It seems to me that the problem could have been solved much better by the states and each town or city working out their own plans without expecting aid from the federal government. The old saying that "the people should support the government and not the government support the people" still holds good.

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### Plan Now to Avoid Work Relief

Sir: Your editorial of Dec. 17, 1942, "The End of WPA", started an informative discussion. The rejoinders of Messrs. Perry A. Fellows and John P. Hallihan and your second editorial, all of which appeared in your issue of Jan. 14, 1943, present interesting, but opposing, views of the functions of government. Your correspondents evidently believe that it is one of the obligations of government to take care of its people. The editor seems to lean to the contrary opinion, that government has no obligation to the citizen other than to protect him, but that rather the citizen's duty is to support the government. Of course, both statements present only part truths. To say that the government should take care of its people is just another way of saying that all of us can handle our problems better than some of us can. And to say that the people are responsible for the welfare of the government is merely an admission that a democratic state is the people, organized for joint action.

The discussion might be concluded and allotted its place in the files, but for one consideration, namely, all experience with work relief projects over a span of ten years has driven home to thinking public officials and alert engineers the absolute necessity for planning for the future. The wastefulness of WPA was not inherent, but was the result of a total absence of carefully considered projects designed for the public welfare as well as for taking men out of the bread lines.

The writer was not a WPA employee, but as an owner's representative had opportunity to observe the workings of that organization. In its beginnings, WPA was obliged to accept and approve any and all projects which promised to offer a living wage to the thousands of the unemployed on the relief rolls of every large city. Any sort of plan on "butcher paper" would suffice. The inevitable result was a multitude of ill-considered jobs of leaf-raking and the like, which implanted firmly in the public mind the idea that frittering away time and materials was a part of the system. The man leaning on his hoe handle became a national symbol of WPA.

Later, when engineers, architects and public officials had had time to digest the essentials of WPA operation, there were evolved higher types of projects which have fitted into the national economy. The early purpose of taking men off the streets became combined with the desire to build something useful, or beautiful, or both. It all depends on which WPA era one is talking about, whether he sides with the editor in stating categorically that "it only fostered a spirit of loafing and getting something for nothing," or with Mr. Hallihan when he says, "The WPA has no apologies to make for its existence". The former assertion is only a half truth and is decidedly unfair. The latter boast overlooks many failures and shortcomings.

We should be a shortsighted people if we failed to grasp the lesson plainly evident from the tribulations of the black years following 1929. We ought to be able to see that the dislocation of labor to follow the cessation of war production and the demobilization of the armed forces will be equally as severe and widespread as that of the days when "prosperity was just around the corner". Unless our public bodies *now* begin to lay plans for postwar construction the whole horrible series of blunders will have to be endured again. It ill becomes us to berate the men who operated the work-relief agencies of the thirties. They were among our outstanding technical and lay citizens and the plan was the best proposed for meeting the emergency.

But these men and women were faced with an impossible task—to put men to useful work when there was no useful work ready for them to do. Will our federal, state and local public bodies learn by the bitter experiences of the late depression, or shall we wallow through another slough of despond? Planning, now, and in detail, is the plainly prescribed antidote for the aches and pains of the after-the-war-period, which otherwise looms as the deepest of all the depressions.

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## Hays Process Aeration

Sir: Major Rolf Eliassen, in his comments on the writer's article on the Hays process of sewage treatment (*ENR*, Feb. 25, p. 278), emphasizes the importance of efficient aeration in the successful operation of this process. His comparison of typical air requirements for activated sludge and those of Hays plants reported by Kessler and Norgaard demonstrates the inefficiency of some of the air grids used in existing Hays plants.

Too much significance cannot be attached to most of the early operation reports from Hays plants at army camps. More recent reports from these plants, made by operators who have acquired further experience in operation as well as more adequate laboratory equipment, indicate that plants maintaining appreciable dissolved oxygen in the aerators will consistently produce B.O.D. reductions well in excess of 90 percent.

To produce satisfactory results, some of the plants reported by Kessler and Norgaard require over three times the unit amount of air required by other comparable Hays plants. The discrepancies between similar plants, as well as between the Hays process and activated sludge, is for the most part due to differences in the physical means for introducing oxygen into the sewage. As improvements in the method of aeration develop in the Hays process, a better comparison of the overall economics of the process will be possible.

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*Austin, Texas*

## Question on Concrete Ships

Sir: Your article, "Building Concrete Ships In Prefabricated Forms" published in the issue of Dec. 31, p. 902, gives information that I am sure many Engineers were glad to get. As I read it several questions came to my mind, the first of which is why such a low steel stress as 12,000 lb.? This seems exceptionally low in view of the requirement of 5,000 lb. per sq. in. for the concrete.

Another question: Why is such a high cement factor required to obtain the design strength? Concrete with such a high cement factor is usually very difficult to place, requiring an excess of total mixing water per cubic yard of concrete. So much cement usually unbalances the mix, causing an excess of fines, with a resulting high volume change during the setting up period.

If the high cement factor is necessary, one wonders if the light weight aggregate is not causing low crushing strengths, thereby partially defeating the purpose for which it is used. Would it not be possible to lower the compressive strength for concrete, increase the steel stress, and obtain a much lighter structure?

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*Beaumont, Tex.*

## Coatings on Concrete Ships

Sir: In the article (*ENR*, Dec. 31, 1942, p. 902) describing the construction of concrete ships, it is pointed out that Inertol was used to coat "the interior concrete surfaces of the ballast tanks." It may be of interest to point out also that Inertol was used on the exterior of the boats below the waterline. The requirements on that part of the surface were much harder to meet than in the salt water ballast tanks.

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# EDITORIALS

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## Hard Job Ahead

As WAR CONSTRUCTION, at least in the continental United States, eases off, engineers and construction men are beginning to feel pessimistic about the future. Actually what they are experiencing is the inevitable letdown that follows every exciting, high-pressure assignment. The Army or Navy officer who is returned from the front lines to a desk job in Washington has the same reaction. There is the suspicion that the war is over as far as he is concerned, that he is destined to an ineffectual role from now on. Actually, his new work may be more vital to winning the war than his former field job. More often than not, he quickly perceives this fact and develops a new enthusiasm. Engineers and construction men are now being retired from the front lines. Compared with day and night work in connection with building war plants, airfields and camps, almost all prospects appear dull. What the construction industry has not yet appreciated is the fact that war is compounded of a lot of dullness and only a little excitement. The exciting phase of war construction may be slowing down, but all signs point to a continuing large volume of important war construction work. Rather than ending, the construction industry's war job is only changing—and getting harder.

## Pointing a Lesson

WHAT MIGHT BE TERMED geophysical blind spots account for as many difficulties with engineering structures as any other single cause. Unexpected foundation conditions have plagued bridge and dam builders from early times, and poor estimates of weather possibilities have ever been a source of trouble. Such thoughts are engendered by the recent announcement that Mud Mountain Dam, a flood control structure in the state of Washington, has been completed at a cost nearly double that first estimated. The difficulty, it will be recalled, arose from the fact that the earthfill dam, which the Army Engineers planned for the site, had to be changed to a rockfill with a rolled earth core, when it was found that the earth was too moist for proper compaction. The fact that bids on the earth dam were received from reputable contractors indicates that they, too, underestimated the difficulties. In the end the dam was successfully completed as a result of a courageous decision to change the design after work had started, coupled with ingenious processing of the core material by mechanical drying and by use of a huge tent over the construction site. Hindsight would now indicate, however, that the difficulties could largely have been avoided by more careful advance study of the materials and local weather conditions.

## Bridge Painting

BRIDGE PAINTING amounts to a considerable item in the budgets of most highway departments, many city public works bureaus and railroad maintenance-of-way organizations. Too frequently in the past such work has been treated as a routine operation calling for no special consideration. Painting gangs were hired in the spring, paint was purchased on the basis of price rather than desired characteristics, and a list of bridges to be painted was handed to the paint foreman. In more recent years some bridge departments have undertaken to put this work on a more scientific basis. A good example is the California Division of Highways. As described elsewhere in this issue, that division uses the most modern equipment available for steel cleaning and painting, including air compressors, sand blasters, air sprays and even flame cleaners; its paint is prepared to specifications based on long experience. As is to be expected, the results are highly satisfactory. Initial costs to equip and train such paint gangs may be high, but in the long run the investment pays large dividends in reduced painting cost and in longer life, not only for the but also for the structures themselves.

## Design Against Panic

FOLLOWING CLOSE UPON the German propaganda threat to bomb Eastern United States cities "within a few months," the panic at the entrance to a London subway air raid shelter, which took 178 lives, may be expected to revive interest in American raid protection measures. The direct lessons that can be drawn from the London disaster, however, are obscure; raids on the United States, under present conditions, could only be of the nuisance or token variety, so infrequent, small and widely scattered that a program of shelter building is out

of the question. Indirectly, on the other hand, the London tragedy offers an object lessons to designers of all places of public assembly, just as the recent Boston night club fire did. That lesson is that entrance and exits must be designed for panic conditions and not simply for orderly ingress and egress. Pictures of the London subway entrance show it to be of ample width, much wider than many in this country, but it contained no handrails by which persons could support themselves against pushing from above; the wider an entrance, the more handrails it requires. Loud speaker systems, through which guards can give advice and orders to panic-stricken crowds, might also be incorporated in entrance designs. Another improvement would be to eliminate emergency exits that lead into narrow alley passageways or onto steep outside fire escapes that are frightening in themselves. The London and Boston disasters merely emphasize again that it is well to let almost fantastic conditions govern the design of entrances and exits to places of public assembly.

## An Essential Industry

HIGHWAYS ARE ESSENTIAL to the war effort, for without well maintained streets and roads it will not be possible to keep our war industries going. That fact would appear to be so self-evident as not to require statement, yet from both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts come reports that state highway departments are losing men so rapidly as to raise serious question concerning their ability to maintain highways in safe operating condition. At its recent meeting, the Association of Highway Officials of the North Atlantic States urged Director McNutt of the War Manpower Commission to advise all draft boards that highway maintenance is an essential industry. In California, C. H. Purcell, director of public works, estimated that the new manpower regulations may reduce the already depleted highway forces by 50 percent. Because of this threatened depletion, California district engineers have been instructed by State Highway Engineer George T. McCoy to prepare manning tables for submission to the War Manpower Commission. Such a step appears to have better possibilities for producing tangible results than memorializing the WMC. Manning tables, giving the rating of men as to the essentiality of their services and the time required to train replacements for them, are used in industry and now have an established place in the manpower set-up. Any state highway department faced with this problem would do well to follow the lead of California.

## Equipment Pools

THE EQUIPMENT POOL of the South Atlantic Division of the Corps of Engineers, described in this issue, might be studied profitably by those concerned with pooling state, county and municipal construction machines. The Army Engineers' pool, not the least of whose merits rests in keeping existing contracting and equipment repair organizations in being, makes available to contractors, on a fixed-rental basis, the machines needed for their work, which they cannot procure from other sources. The Army retains the right to reallocate the machines for the best prosecution of the war, but otherwise the contractor operates as with equipment secured through normal rental agencies. Repairs are contracted to established and experienced private shops, enabling the continuance of this essential service through a time of curtailed construction work. Proof of the equity and value of the pool lies in the enthusiastic endorsement of the plan by contractors and by all ranks of the Army Engineers.

Those now engaged in setting up state-wide pooling plans for state, county and municipal road-building equipment (*ENR* March 4, p. 321) have a somewhat different problem, but their exchange of equipment might also be put on a rental basis. Some highway departments now rent the larger and less frequently used pieces of equipment to their subdivisions. Extension of this plan to include cities and counties, and possibly even some local contractors with idle construction equipment, therefore, should not prove to be particularly difficult.

As was stated in our issue of Jan. 28, such pooling, if it is to be successful, must be based on cooperation rather than coercion, hence the advantage of a rental basis that will bring to the owner a cash return for use of his equipment. Also important is a clearinghouse through which requests for equipment must pass. So long as there is not equipment enough to go around, some central state office must decided where the need is greatest.

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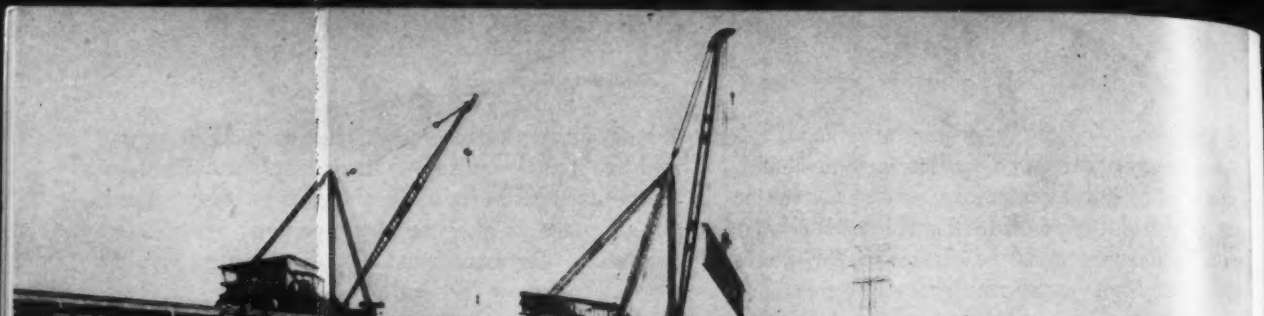

*Crane of 167-ton capacity erects the 300-ft. central span of the 840-ft. continuous girder on the Hartford, Conn., bridge.*

# Long Plate Girders in Hartford Bridge

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***Contents in Brief**—Silicon steel plate girders, 17 ft. deep over the piers, and 11½ ft. elsewhere, are used for the 270-300-270-ft. continuous spans on the Hartford, Conn., bridge. Continuous stringers support the concrete filled I-Beam grid floor. Continuous girders are also employed for the east approach, 500 ft. of which lies on a one-degree horizontal curve. One of the engineers connected with the structure from its inception to completion gives the basic design date, including details of the longest plate girder span in the U. S.*

A CONTINUOUS GIRDER span of 300 ft. on the recently completed Charter Oak Bridge over the Connecticut River between Hartford and East Hartford, Conn., the longest span of its type in the U.S., is the focal point of this all-girder bridge. The new structure will ease the traffic congestion of historic Hartford and give readier access to the war production plants of East Hartford. While the bridge is essentially a link in the extension of the Wilbur Cross Parkway, it is also an integral part of the extensive improvement program undertaken in the city of Hartford during the past several years.

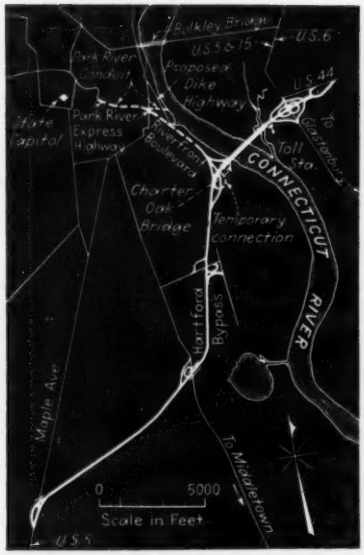
This program, in addition to the bridge, includes construction of dikes along both sides of the river to well above the high water mark reached during the devasting flood of 1936, and a highway from the new bridge to the city along the top of one of the dikes. The Park River, which runs through the city to Bushnell Park immediately in front of the state capitol, is being diverted into twin pressure conduits (*ENR*, Jan. 29, 1942, p. 180), and the new road will enter the business district as a four lane separated highway built on top of this conduit. This route gives direct connection to the business district with a minimum of expenditure for right-of-way.

The need for a second bridge over the Connecticut River at Hartford has long been recognized. In 1929, an investigation and report on the necessity for a new bridge was made by Clarence Hudson, consulting engineer, and in 1931 the Connecticut River State Bridge Commission authorized the preparation of plans by Robinson & Steinman, consulting engineers. Plans were drawn for a suspension bridge crossing a short distance north of the location of the recently completed structure and bids were taken on these plans in 1933, but conditions at that time made it impossible to proceed with construction. With the feasibility of toll collection in the state established on the Merritt Parkway, this means of financing the Hartford Bridge project was authorized by legislative action in 1939, and preliminary plans for the new structure and its approaches were commenced. Traffic surveys determined that the total cost of the project, as of 1940, must be kept to $4,200,000 to make it self-liquidating, necessitating that the

cost of the bridge proper be restricted to a minimum amount. Estimates of cost for several types of construction indicated that continuous girder design would provide the most economical crossing.

Navigation requirements fixed the size and location of the main river spans of the bridge. The navigable channel, adjacent to the west bank of the river, required a minimum span of 270 ft. and considerations of symmetry and economy determined the remaining span lengths of the main river crossing. Beginning at the Hartford side of the Connecticut River there are 270- 300- 270-ft. girder spans to form a three-span continuous unit. The east approach viaduct consists of two units of four-span continuous girders, the spans nearer the river being 150 ft. each and the rest 125 ft. each, totaling about 1,104 ft. The greater part of the latter unit lies on a 1-deg. horizontal curve.

Approaches on the Hartford side of the river are in the shape of a Wye the south leg of which is made up of simple girder spans of 95 ft. and 110 ft., for a total length of 1,259 ft. Most of this approach is on a 2-deg. horizontal curve. The north approach, giving direct access to the city of Hartford over the Riverfront Blvd. and Park River Express Highway, is sharply curved and is composed of 70 ft. and 105 ft. simple




***The new bridge is part of a general highway improvement that will take through traffic off the congested city streets and yet provide an express highway into the heart of the city.***

spans totaling 735 ft. in length. The grades on all approaches are 4 percent, and are connected by an 842 ft. vertical curve over the three main spans. A maximum vertical clearance of 90 ft. is provided at the center of the 300-ft. span. The toll plaza and administration buildings are located in East Hartford.

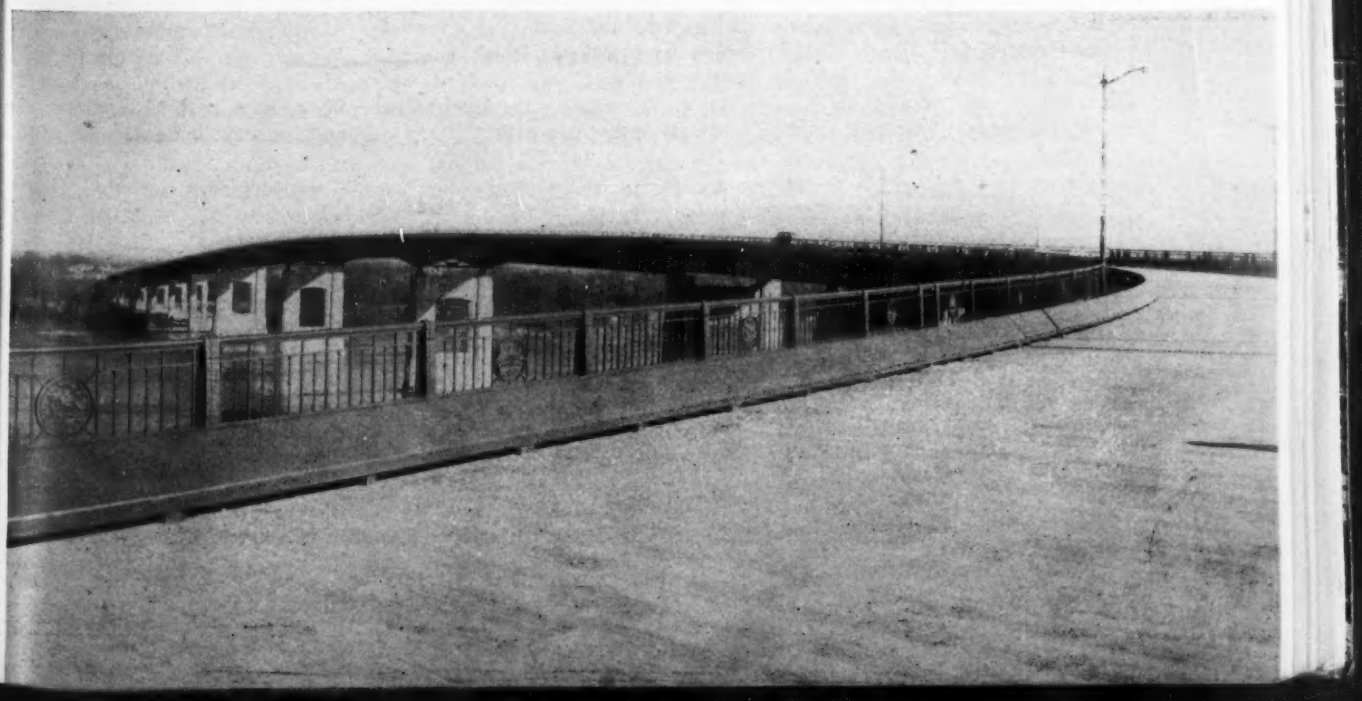
The bed of the river at the bridge site is an unstable muck below which are layers of sand, clay, and hardpan overlying bedrock. Steel H-piles, 14x14½ in. by 73 lb. and 30 to 100 ft. long, were driven to the rock with batter piles used extensively to increase the stability for the high piers required. The foundations for the river piers were placed in the dry in open steel sheet-pile cofferdams. Floating equipment was required at only one pier since the foundations at the ends of the main 840-ft. continuous unit were located on land, and a fill was placed to reach the intermediate pier in shallow water at the east end of the 300-ft. span. The four river piers are built with a solid concrete base, partially faced with sawn granite varying in thickness from 4 to 18 in., and surmounted by a reinforced concrete frame extending to the height required for the girders.

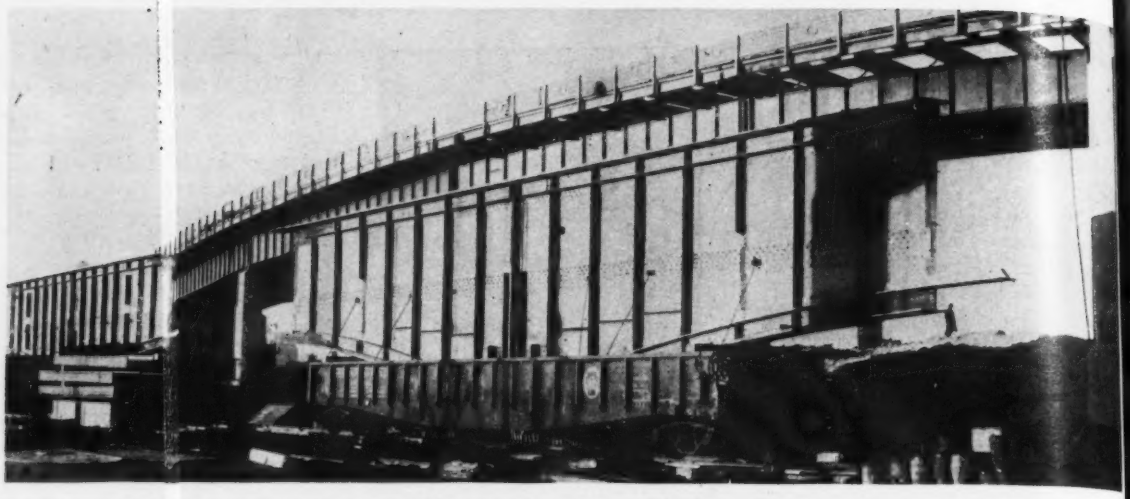
### East approach piers

The approach piers, with a few exceptions, are concrete frames supported on two footings resting on piles. These frames are connected by a horizontal strut to increase the stiffness of construction in the area where the longest piles were required. Several of the west approach piers, near the river, were built with solid bases similar to the main pier construction.

Sandy material on the East Hartford shore permitted utilization of a

***Over water spans and East Hartford viaduct as seen from sharply curved northwest approach. Charter Oak, the Old State House, the Congregational Church and the Aviation Industry appear in the railing medallions.***





**Over-pier section of continuous girder 17-ft. deep. The horizontal field splice was necessary for shipping clearance and in the final erection scheme the section was erected in two pieces.**

well-point system instead of the sheet pile cofferdams for subsurface work. Excavation was partly completed, and then the well-point system assembled just above the groundwater level and the material solidified sufficiently by drainage to permit completion of excavation to the pier bottom. Vertical piles were driven first, then a guide frame was welded to them to start the batter piles into the ground on the design 1:5 slope. Batter piles were spliced as the driving proceeded, milled ends being joined by welding.

The toll plaza location at the end of the east approach shortened the length of steel construction from what it might otherwise have been and placed the abutment at a point where the fill was 50 ft. high. To reduce the weight of this abutment and keep the number of piles to a minimum, an abutment of open-frame construction was used. The footings for the several sections of the abutment are connected by two lines of transverse diaphragms.

The roadway cross-section on the bridge, except for the northwest approach, consists of two 24-ft. roadways, separated by a 4-ft. wide center mall. The bridge is designed for H-20 loading.

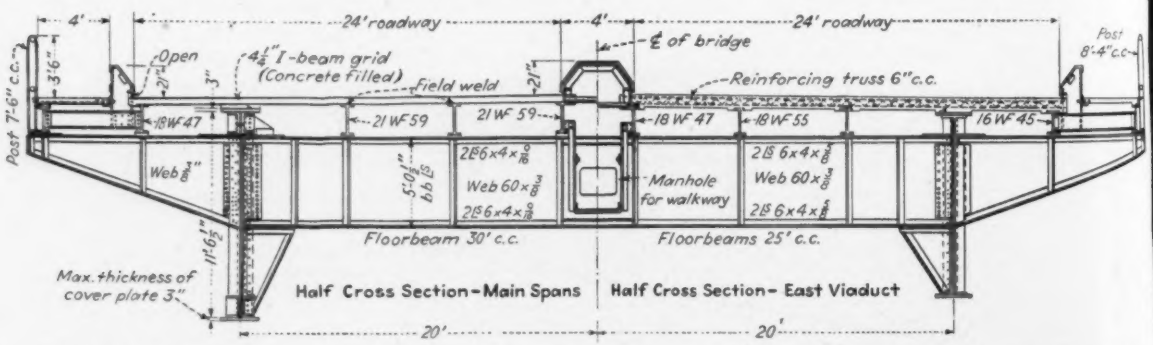
### Floor construction

The floor on the long river spans is a concrete filled 4¼-in. deep I-beam grid, without underpans, laid transversely to the center line of the bridge. The grid rests on continuous longitudinal stringers that run over the top of 5-ft. deep floor-beams, spaced 30 ft. c. to c., and these in turn frame between the two lines of main girders. The girders are connected by a tension lateral system, consisting of structural tee sections, at the bottom of the floor beam.

The east and southwest approach spans have a 7¼-in. thick concrete slab, reinforced with welded bar-trusses. Stringers are longitudinal and are continuous over the top of 5-ft. deep floor-beams, spaced at 2[illegible] ft. c. to c. The floor construction fo[illegible] the single 24-ft. roadway of the north[illegible] west approach consists of a 10-in. thick concrete slab supported o[illegible] 30-in. deep, wide-flanged cross beams spaced 10 ft. 6 in. apart and resting on top of the longitudinal girders.

The sidewalks and part of the roadways are supported on brackets framed to the girders and tied to the top flange of the floor beams with tension plates that pass through the web of the girders. The sidewalk is a 3½-in. thick, mesh reinforced, concrete slab. Alternate panels of the steel railings are ornamented by 3-ft. circular medallions, depicting four landmarks of Hartford and East Hartford: Charter Oak, the Old State House, the Congregational Church and the Aviation Industry.

The girders of the main spans are of silicon steel with a depth of 11 ft. 6½-in. back to back of outer flange angles except for a distance of 60 ft.




**Concrete filled I-beam grid on the long continuous girder and bar-truss reinforcement on the approach span are features of the roadway design.**

either side of the intermediate piers, where the depth gradually increases to 17 ft. 0½-in. over the piers. In this area, web plates of ¾-in. maximum thickness are spliced horizontally as well as vertically, and are stiffened by both vertical and horizontal stiffener angles; elsewhere 138x$\frac{9}{16}$-in. web plates with vertical stiffeners are used. Each flange consists of two 8x8x1-in. outer angles and two 8x6x1-in. inner angles against 23x⅞-in. side plates. The cover plates are 26 in. wide and vary from 1 to 3 in. thickness, not including the 1-in. splice cover plate where required.

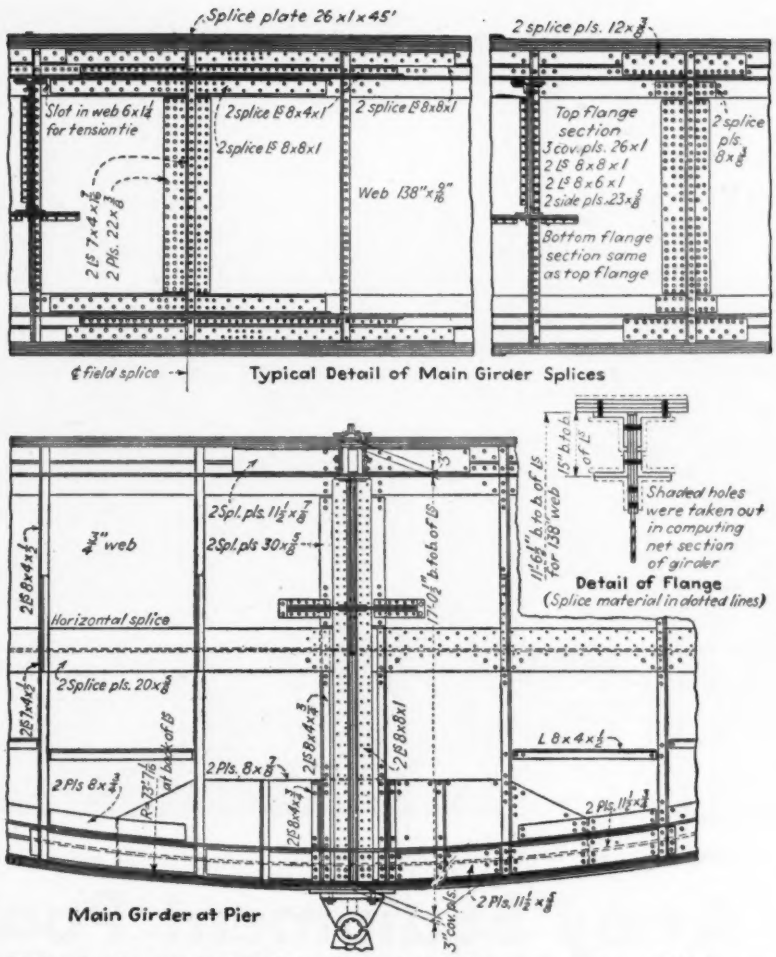
### Girder splices

Maximum length of girder shipped was 126 ft. The main girder flange field splices are lap or shingle splices. The riveting for the splices was computed by analyzing the transfer of stress resulting from cuts in material and the taking out of additional rivet holes, much as for truss member splices. The capacities of the various parts of the flange were taken in proportion to their distance from the center of the girder and the actual variation in flange stress across the length of the splice. Rivets of 1-in. dia. were used throughout the main span girders.

The basic unit stress in the flanges of the silicon steel girders was 24,000 psi. near the end piers, and was varied with a straight line reduction over the 270-ft. span to 22,000 psi. at the intermediate piers and over the entire 300-ft. center span. This variation was made to allow for error in reactions and unequal temperature of the upper and lower flanges. The unit stress in the 300-ft. span was further reduced to 18,000 psi. by the use of an additional 100-ft. center cover plate to allow for gross error in reactions, since the flexibility of the exceptionally long girders made adjustment of the reactions by jacking impracticable.

### Shop assembly

Adjacent girder sections were assembled in the fabricating shop for reaming of splices in accordance with the alignment provided by marks on stiffeners at each end of the sections. These marks lay on the base line of the no-load, three-span layout, and they were the means of insuring accurate shop assembly. Adjustment of the rockers for plumbness at intermediate piers on both the river and the east approach spans was obtained by providing for welding of base plates to grillages only after erection of the girder on the pier.




**Girder details over intermediate pier and at splices near center of 270-ft. span.**

The continuous girders of the curved portion of the east viaduct run on chords to the splice points at floorbeams 25 ft. either side of all piers, the floorbeams and brackets providing the necessary framing to resist the resulting torsional moments. All expansion in the east viaduct is concentrated at a single expansion joint at the junction of the 150-ft. and 125-ft. spans near the center of the 1,100-ft. east viaduct. The depths of these carbon steel girders are respectively 10 ft. and 9 ft. and the flanges consist of pairs of 8x8 in. angles and 24-in. cover plates. For the simple spans of the southwest approach 7-ft. girders of silicon steel and similar section are used.

The members of the Hartford Bridge Commission are H. H. Conland, H. W. Buck, R. A. Johnson, W. R. McCain, and R. D. Olmstead. For the Connecticut State Highway Department, which supervised the work for the Bridge Commission, William J. Cox is commissioner, A. W. Bushell is deputy commissioner, L. G. Sumner is engineer of bridges and structures, W. G. Grove was formerly associate highway engineer, B. D. Freedman was formerly assistant engineer and G. L. Dunkelberger is architect.

Complete designs, contract plans, and specifications for the main river spans and the east approach viaduct were prepared in the office of Robinson & Steinman, of New York, consulting engineers, whose staff consisted of J. London, R. Boblow, R. M. Boynton, W. A. Conley, and the writer. The general features of layout and architectural design were prepared in the office of the Connecticut State Highway Department, which also prepared the complete plans and specifications for the west approach.

*Many types of construction machines are made available to contractors from a Corps of Engineers equipment pool.*

# Army Equipment Pool Aids Contract Work

***Contents in Brief**—An equipment pool maintained by the Corps of Engineers makes machines available to contractors for use on government work. Users pay a rental, lower than ceiling rate, which is deducted from estimates due. Repairs are handled at established equipment dealers' shops on an hourly basis. Not only does the pool assure widest use of available machines but it aids in maintaining contractor and equipment repair organizations.*

CONTRACTORS ENGAGED for government work in the South Atlantic Division of the Corps of Engineers are enabled to rent necessary construction machines from a central equipment pool operated by the division. The original stock of equipment held in the pool was secured by the government largely under recapture rental clauses, but these stocks are now supplemented by government purchase of essential machines through channels not open to civilian buyers. A definite rental schedule has been established for all the equipment, and the rent is deducted from payments due contractor. Machines can be used only on Corps of Engineers' work.

In making a bid on work the contractor states what equipment he has, or can get from private sources, and what he expects to ask the government to supply. The bidder is given a schedule of rates, substantially less than the ceiling rates established by the Office of Price Administration for equipment rental. Amount of the rental for government-owned machines must be included in the bid prices. Equipment that a bidder himself can supply is a factor in making an award that will be most advantageous to the government.

All kinds of construction machines are available because the South Atlantic Division has had one of the largest programs to provide housing, training facilities, and manufacturing plants for the Army. Most of the equipment used on this work is now held in the central pool.

Rental procedure provides that the contractor requiring machines request their procurement through the area or post engineer in immediate charge of the work. He in turn passes the request to the district office and from there it goes to the division equipment pool headquarters. This sounds like it might require a considerable amount of time but when there is an immediate need, and usually machines are wanted "yesterday," requests are handled by phone, confirmed by teletype, and quite often the machines are moving well ahead of official signatures.

Three men in the Division office control the allocation and movement of all machines. These equipment supervisors have final power to determine what machines go where, and when they must be transferred. They are in close contact with all branches of the Division office and thus are in position to know what projects should be given preference.

Machines are rented to the contractor for one-, two- or three-shift operation, as the work at hand may warrant. Heavy earth-moving equipment is usually rented only for around-the-clock operation. The contractor must pay charges for shipping to the work, much as when renting from equipment distributors and, if the machines are shipped out to a repair shop, he may be required to pay the shipping-out cost as well. Generally, however, machines move direct to other work that pays the transportation charges.

Light tools such as vibrators, small pumps, drills, circular saws and pneumatic machines are handled by the equipment pool on a buy-and-sell basis on appraised valuation. To

avoid rental bookkeeping these tools are sold to the districts needing them on a basis of current value and are repurchased, when they are no longer needed, at their reduced value. The district offices, however, are obliged to rent them to contractor users on a monthly rate or some other mutually agreeable arrangement. The government can sell only surplus materials and tools are not in that class.

#### Government inspection measures

There are 20 experienced equipment inspectors in the field who keep constant check on the government-owned equipment. They watch lubrication, abuse and general operation, making recommendations for improvement where possible and assist in seeing that the right machines, and the proper number, are in use. The inspectors are familiar with job schedules and are in position to advise if more equipment should be acquired to meet necessary dates or if machines can be released to more urgent projects.

The government requires that all machines on rental be well maintained and properly lubricated. Use of full capacity of the machine is recommended, but no overloading or overspeeding is tolerated.

It is general practice for the contractor to maintain a crew for normal job repairs. Major repairs or rebuilding of machines is done by established repair shops throughout the area, under contract with the government. Generally these shops are those of equipment dealers, which were equipped and staffed before the war. Ordinarily, only machines of the types with which a shop is familiar are sent for repairs, but in emergencies a shop may be called upon to do any kind of work.

***Big machines and big tires are used hard but are well cared for to get greatest efficiency compatible with speed necessary for war construction.***

Repairs are handled by 32 different shops on a special contract under which the government pays for time and material. Parts and materials are purchased by the repair shop through usual commercial channels or are supplied by the government from warehouse stocks or on priority orders.

In addition to the contract shops the engineers have established a central repair shop where the largest equipment is rebuilt. Complete re-

***Machines not needed on one job are made quickly available to other work by transfer through the equipment pool.***

**RENTAL RATES CHARGED CONTRACTORS FOR ONE SHIFT OPERATION.**

**Add 50 percent for more than 8 hours; 100 percent for more than 16 hours.**

| Machine | Condition of Equipment | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Excellent | Very Good | Good | Satisfactory |
| Asphalt Distributor 1000 gal | $7.84 | $6.72 | $5.60 | $4.48 |
| Road Roller. Tandem 10–14 ton | 8.98 | 7.70 | 6.42 | 5.13 |
| Tamping Rollers. Double-drum | 2.10 | 1.80 | .... | .... |
| Engine—Gasoline 60 hp | 1.87 | 1.60 | 1.33 | 1.07 |
| Engine—Diesel 100 hp | 5.72 | 4.90 | 4.08 | 3.27 |
| Lighting Plants, Gasoline driven 5 kw | 2.10 | 1.80 | 1.50 | 1.20 |
| Crane or dragline—no bucket | | | | |
| 6 ton—½ cu. yd. gasoline | 10.67 | 9.34 | 8.00 | 6.67 |
| 40–45 ton 2 cu. yd. gasoline | 36.34 | 32.67 | 28.00 | 23.34 |
| 40–45 ton 2 cu. yd. diesel | 45.34 | 39.67 | 34.00 | 28.34 |
| Trucks: Dump 5 cu. yd. gas | 13.16 | 11.28 | 9.41 | 7.52 |
| Dump 9 cu. yd. diesel | 35.00 | 30.00 | 25.01 | 20.00 |
| Tractors: 45–49 hp. gasoline | 7.35 | 6.30 | 5.25 | 4.20 |
| 91–94 hp. gasoline | 11.67 | 10.00 | 8.33 | 6.67 |
| 70–87 hp. diesel | 14.84 | 12.72 | 12.92 | 10.33 |
| 91–135 hp. diesel | 18.08 | 15.50 | 10.60 | 8.48 |
| Bulldozer: 45–62 hp. tractor | 2.57 | 2.20 | 1.83 | 1.47 |
| 91–135 hp. tractor | 3.38 | 2.90 | 2.42 | 1.93 |

building jobs are done in this well-equipped and adequately-staffed shop located at the division equipment pool headquarters. Here, worn parts are built up by welding or metallizing, and then are dressed to size for reuse.

Before the central control of equipment was instituted various projects had ordered large stocks of repair parts, many of which were not used. These were all transferred to a central supply depot from which all repair shops may draw as required. Some of the parts stocked did not appear to be immediately needed and were "circularized" to other Corps of Engineer divisions for disposal and use. Some seldom needed parts were made available to manufacturers for distribution to other accounts.

Record-keeping is handled in a separate department. Records of the several thousand machines in use are kept up-to-date on a visible card index. Nine copies of all transfer orders are made, one each for the following: Division equipment file; location file; audit section; inspector; receiving area engineer and district engineer; shipping area engineer and district engineer; and one for the serial number file.

The card shows the movement of the machine and the time, plus description of the equipment and attachments and the mechanical condition. Also noted is the rate of rental to be charged for one-, two- or three-shift operation. The rental of the machine is billed by the division to the district, which deducts the amount from the funds due the contractor and reimburses the division.

#### Need and value of pool

Before the central equipment pool was inaugurated, equipment was held by the various districts. Consequently it was not available to other districts as long as there was prospect of future use of the machines. Under the present set-up nearly all available equipment is kept working most of the time somewhere in the division, actually 80 percent of full time. If a machine is not needed it can be declared surplus and quickly made available to other districts or even other divisions. This control of all machines has made it possible to assign equipment where it will open "bottlenecks" and thus bring up to schedule a particular part of the work.

The general scheme of making equipment available to contractors and having it repaired at commercial shops has maintained existing contractor and dealer organizations. Previous to establishment of this plan such firms were facing extinction because of government acquisition of much of their equipment, which could not be replaced.

Field organizations of the Corps of Engineers, and the contractors using the machines, enthusiastically endorse the plan as being very helpful in the present equipment shortage.

# Locating Reservoir Leaks With the Aid of Air Bubbles

A novel method of locating leaks in the 6-in. concrete lining of one of the San Francisco's 10-m.g. reservoirs consisted of plugging the outlet of drainage pipes beneath the lining and pumping air in through the plug under light pressure. Bubbles in shallow water disclosed exact location of the leaks.

The drainage system consists of two halves, each extending around one-half the perimeter of the reservoir base below the joint between base and side slopes. To safeguard against rupture of the lining by excessive air pressure, a U-tube was tapped into the pipe delivering air pressure and the outer leg of the U, filled with water, was left open at a level 6 in. above that of the inner leg.

With this pressure in the drainage system and a water depth of 6 in. on the reservoir bottom, small bubbles appeared continuously above leaks through the paving, despite the fact that some of these were 100 ft. from the nearest point in the drain. Thus all leaks were easily and quickly located (there were several hundred of them) by workmen who marked all the spots where bubbles came through and then, after the water had been drawn off, placed the necessary concrete patches.

When the bottom was completely repaired, successive tests were made with reservoir water depth of 1 ft., 2 ft., 3 ft., etc., at each step locating the spots in the concrete on the side slopes through which air (and hence presumably also water) could pass. By reason of the low pressure used, no bubbles came through against the higher heads—bubbles appeared only in each successive zone while the side slopes were undergoing test.

Although this plan worked with notable success on this one reservoir, endeavor to use the same general system in locating small leaks in a larger reservoir was entirely unsuccessful, although the concrete lining of the second reservoir had the same thickness and holes were drilled at close intervals to get the compressed air beneath the lining. Whether this difference was due to a better concrete on the second reservoir is not known.

On both reservoirs the work was under the general direction of George W. Pracy, superintendent, San Francisco Water Department.

*On a two-lane, divided bypass road in the Norfolk, Va., area, several large trees are being left in the dividing strip.*

# Roads Under War Restrictions—V

**● Over a period of several months, editors of *Engineering News-Record* in their travels around the country have been discussing with state highway engineers the problems that war restrictions have brought to them. Conditions found in Virginia, West Virginia, Georgia, Kentucky and Indiana are reported herewith. Shortage of manpower and equipment is common to all, but the financial effect of war restrictions varies widely due to the different financial policies of the states. Earlier reports appeared in issues of Oct. 8, p. 484; Oct. 22, p. 555; Nov. 5, p. 627; and Dec. 17, p. 847.**

## VIRGINIA CUTS WORK FIFTY PERCENT

ORIGINAL CONSTRUCTION and maintenance program of the Virginia Department of Highways for the present fiscal year was $30,000,000, including work on access roads, but only about 50 percent of that work is to be carried out due to the war, according to C. S. Mullen, chief engineer of the department. New construction originally scheduled has been reduced as much as 90 percent in some areas and only about three-fourths of the new construction first planned will be built. Early in 1942 numerous projects were given only an A-1-E priority rating, but in recent months many of these jobs have been given AA-2-X ratings. This latter classification has permitted work on many projects that were severely restricted before, and but for this change the amount of new construction would have been reduced still more.

Maintenance, resurfacing and replacement of old bridges, which accounts for about $11,000,000 yearly in Virginia, also has been severely curtailed. Total mileage maintained by the Virginia department is 9,500 miles of primary highways and 37,000 miles of secondary road. A large part of the primary mileage is various types of bituminous construction, including a large mileage of bituminous surfacing over an old concrete pavement. Untreated soil and gravel roads also account for about 18,000 miles of highway; much of this mileage is county roads not eligible for federal aid. The very low priority on bituminous material, which made procurement of this product difficult, has been aided by lifting restriction on certain tars.

No relief in obtaining bituminous products is seen in the near future and in some cases the Virginia department may not attempt to maintain the bituminous surfacing. Instead, the road will be permitted to revert to the original sand and gravel base or whatever type was employed. Also, extensive patching on several highways is planned, rather than attempting to get all the necessary materials for rebuilding these roads.

On a par with the difficulty of obtaining materials is that of getting new equipment, and almost as difficult as this problem has been that of securing spare parts for equipment now in use. In the same way, renting equipment has become very difficult and much more expensive than in the past. For example, in the Hampton Roads area, 1½-ton trucks could be rented for $1.25 per hour before start of the tremendous war construction program in that region but now the rate is $2.00.

Not only has the difficulty of getting materials for both new construction and maintenance caused a big reduction in the amount of work

planned, but the manpower shortage, especially at Hampton Roads, is severe. Skilled labor is more plentiful than common labor, but both are very difficult to obtain. In all, about 3,000 men of a total of 7,000 state highway employes in Virginia have been lost to the war program, including a very large number to the armed forces. Also, many military organizations have requisitioned both equipment and personnel in several areas. In one case, two survey parties of about 16 men in all, complete with trucks, surveying equipment and other tools, were requisitioned for work in the Newport News area.

To overcome the shortage of manpower, women are being used as draftsmen, but up to Dec. 1 only about a dozen women workers had been so employed. A plan is being considered whereby women workers also would be employed in the testing laboratories and on many similar jobs. This arrangement, although expected to help, will not prevent the manpower problem from becoming more severe as time goes on.

Another severe problem that is anticipated is snow removal and winter maintenance on the highways in the northern part of the state during winter months. Not only is insufficient snow removal equipment available, but the shortage of repair parts is expected to greatly increase this trouble. In addition, the large manpower loss has included many truck and grader operators normally employed to operate snow removal equipment.

#### Critical materials saved

To reduce the use of critical materials on new construction projects, much non-reinforced concrete pavement is built. A 9-in. slab with expansion joints on 100 to 125 ft. centers and contraction joints on a 20-ft. spacing are used. No steel is required, as not even dowels are employed.

Many new bridges that were originally planned are not being built, but where some type of crossing must be constructed, concrete structures are specified. For shorter spans and where box culverts might have been preferred in the past, non-reinforced-concrete arch structures are used; on longer spans, beam and slab designs are employed. A stone arch of 16-ft. span built by regular employes of the department is considered so satisfactory that this type of structure may be built at a number of sites in the near future.

In Virginia it has been almost as difficult to get treated timber as to obtain steel. However, a few bridges with timber pile substructures and reinforced-concrete decks have been constructed. Also three large all-timber structures will be built with federal funds on access roads in the Hampton Roads area. One of these is to be a $76,000 overpass on 58th Street in Newport News; this will have a laminated timber deck. In addition, two timber overpasses on roads leading to naval bases in the Norfolk area are planned.

Traffic densities on Virginia highways are much lower than for the same period last year and at the end of November the total traffic was 40 percent below that of last year. Greatest reduction is in light trucks and passenger cars; passenger car traffic has been reduced 68 percent over a year ago. However, heavy truck and bus traffic has increased, including roughly a 50-percent increase in the latter. Also heavy trucking is 3 or 4 percent more than at this time last year.

In contrast to the reduction in total state-wide traffic, traffic in some areas has increased greatly, especially in the Hampton Roads territory and in Arlington County, which is across the Potomac River from the District of Columbia. In certain sections this increase has been so great that shoulders have suffered severely although the destruction of the pavement has not been so great.

#### Picture not all black

Income to the state highway department through the registration of motor vehicles as of Oct. 20, 1942 was 16 percent lower than last year. However, because of the increase in bus and heavy truck traffic, the reduction of income from the gas tax and registration fees is not as yet serious and does not equal the reduction of traffic densities.

## INDIANA BUILDS ACCESS ROADS

Major program of the Indiana State Highway Department is the construction of access roads to war plants, which has taken precedence over all other work. Other than this there is very little new road construction now in progress in Indiana and new construction in 1942 was less than 50 percent of that of last year.

Proof that Indiana is building little other than access roads is shown by a breakdown of all new construction jobs in progress in that state. A summation of the contracts in force at the end of 1942 shows that about $7,000,000 of the work is access roads where the federal government is supplying 100 percent of the cost; that $4,105,000 of the projects are on the strategic network where the state meets 25 percent of the cost and the federal government 75 percent; and that $198,000 of the contracts are for jobs on the federal-aid system, whereby the two governments divide the cost. The normal annual road construction program in Indiana with state funds is $10,000,000.

Many months ago the Indiana department and the other state agencies held a series of meetings and made extensive studies as to how work could be reduced to release personnel, equipment and materials for war work. Thus, when the War Production Board recently stopped highway construction of no immediate value to the war effort, only two road projects and two bridge jobs, one a $55,000 structure and the other a $56,000 contract, had to be shut down in Indiana.

As a whole, the Indiana state highway system, which totals 10,100 miles, is in excellent condition and only a few primary roads need improvement. When a survey was made in 1940 in cooperation with the Public Roads Administration as to desired improvements of the nation's strategic network, improvement of but one road and four bridges was recommended for the entire Indiana system.

Only twelve bridges are now under way in the entire state and these are all small projects. Two of the structures are of a design requiring a timber substructure and a combination laminated wood and concrete deck. The other structures under con-

ruction are designed for non-reinforced abutments and a reinforced concrete deck. No future timber bridges are planned. This is for two major reasons. First, timber and wood piles have been difficult to obtain in Indiana, and, second, experience in the past has shown bridges of this type to have short life, and to be rather unsatisfactory from the standpoint of service and maintenance. In the same way, no masonry arch bridges have been built because they are considered too costly from the standpoint of labor.

**Repair parts a problem**

Despite the reduced construction program, the department has several major problems, and to get repair parts for construction equipment is one of the most severe. Repair parts are almost as difficult to obtain as new equipment. However, highway officials are not too concerned about this difficulty at the present time, as past experience shows that maintenance crews are very ingenious when it comes to salvaging old equipment and repairing wornout parts.

The supply of manpower, both skilled and common labor, is another problem, as much of the normal supply has been claimed by the numerous war construction projects in Indiana. During the past summer, high school boys and some college men were employed, but since the schools started, labor has become much more serious. In connection with manpower problem, it is interesting to note that highway officials in Indiana are taking the attitude that an employee does not lose his seniority rights when he leaves to join a war agency. Instead, if a man takes a war job for the duration of war, he can later rejoin the department without losing the benefits of his service before leaving for a war assignment. This, of course, holds only where the employees are leaving to join the armed forces or to join some organization directly connected with the war effort.

To date, dislocation of traffic has been noticeable, but not as severe as was expected. The biggest reduction is on Saturdays and Sundays, which shows that it is pleasure driving that has been reduced. The total reduction during the fall months was about 25 percent below last year.

Income from the gas tax in Indiana has been reduced as a result of the decreased traffic. However, the reduction in income is not as great as was expected and will cause no hardship in meeting obligations for work under contract, since Indiana issues no road bonds but carries out its work on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Up to the end of 1942 there had been very little decrease in auto license registration. That for 1942 was less 5 percent below normal, but due to the tire shortage and restrictions on the use of gasoline a larger reduction can be expected during 1943.

Plans for future maintenance in Indiana is to place major emphasis upon those roads of maximum value to the war program, and to maintain less important roads only sufficiently to protect the investment. Operations such as weed cutting has been reduced, as well as other maintenance.

No out-of-the-ordinary problem is seen in snow removal during the winter. Sufficient repair parts have been obtained to recondition snow removal machinery used during past years, and this is considered sufficient to continue that work.

In summary, as a whole the outlook for the Indiana State Highway Department, as reported by R. H. Bower, chief engineer of the construction division, and N. F. Schafer, superintendent of the maintenance department, is not discouraging; nor is it believed that the state's highway network will suffer severely during the next few years, even if maintenance is not as extensive on some routes as at present.

## GEORGIA SHORT ON MANPOWER

Right in the center of a large concentration of army and navy camps and other war construction, the Georgia highway department has found keeping men the most serious difficulty of war time operation. With the old organization broken up just at the start of the high-wage era by cuts in pay, the personnel problem has been very serious. The U. S. Engineers, architect-engineer-manager firms and contractors have been offering pay far in excess of that customary in Georgia and consequently have taken many of the engineers and trained maintenance men. The state budget set-up does not permit appreciable increases in the salary rates. However, a temporary expedient has been found in paying living expenses of men sent to war congested areas on construction assignments.

No new road equipment is procurable and none has been purchased for two years previous to our entry into the war so the machines on hand are relatively old. The Navy recently asked for some of the few remaining machines that are in good condition. With the help of the Public Roads Administration in Washington, the highway department was able to hold the machines for essential road work.

Competent repair men can not be secured in sufficient numbers to keep the equipment moving and men of all classes are being refused deferment from the draft. M. L. Shadburn, chief engineer of the highway department, feels the federal government should recognize the necessity for roads, especially for other than immediate access to camps and make provision for them.

Principal road work at present is about $2,500,000 of construction including 20 miles of 4-lane concrete construction near Ft. Benning; seven contracts in and around Macon, mostly for rebuilding and widening, that will cost $2,000,000; and a new two-lane road to a plant near Marietta giving a total of 8 lanes from Atlanta for an expected large number of commuting employees. The latter road has a $201,000 all-concrete deck-girder bridge that has continuous 65-90-65-ft. spans over the main channel and twelve 40-ft. approach spans at the Chattahoochee River crossing. The roadway is 26 ft with a 5-ft. sidewalk.

One large bridge is approaching completion and another has just been placed under contract for replacement of wood deck bottleneck structures on the coastal highway near Darien. The first structure has two sets of 91-150-91-ft. continuous plate girder spans, two 85 ft. simple girder spans and thirty-six 40-ft. long reinforced concrete deck girders for a total length of 2,382 ft. Its roadway provides 40-ft. between curbs. (*ENR*

Dec. 10, p. 821). Approach fills are to be made by hydraulic methods but have been delayed by inability to get a dredge. The bridge recently put under contract has one continuous 91-150-91-ft. semi-deck girder section a simple 80 ft. span and twenty-six 40-ft. concrete deck spans. Two 22-ft. separated roadways and two 4-ft. sidewalks are provided.

## DEBTS TROUBLE WEST VIRGINIA

In addition to the problem of obtaining materials, equipment, supplies and men for new construction and maintenance, the West Virginia State Road Commission has the added burden of meeting large bond retirement and interest on obligations from a largely decreased income, according to M. L. O'Neale, chief engineer. Reduction of some 25 percent in both primary and secondary road funds due to loss of gasoline taxes alone, as compared to the same period last year, has seriously affected the financial situation.

This large decrease in gasoline taxes started about the first of July 1942. Revenues from all sources, of which the gas tax is a big share, are now collected at a rate of about 30 percent less than for the same period last year. Losses in traffic is reflected by the reports from eleven fixed-type electric-eye recorders at strategic points throughout the state. The decline in 1942 as compared month by month with 1941 traffic is of interest. In January, 1942, there was a 2 percent gain, but the decline in succeeding months in percent was as follows: February, 4.3; March, 9; April, 16.8; May, 18.8; June, 25.8; July, 31.3; August, 35.6; September, 32.9; October, 36.3; and November, 39.

Gasoline tax collections for August, 1942, in West Virginia totaled but $666,063, or more than $380,000 below the $1,040,643 total for the same month a year ago. Those for September were $374,000 less.

In addition to the above, there has been a severe drop in motor vehicle registration, which normally accounts for about one-third of the income of the road commission. The severity of this decrease is revealed by the fact that on June 30, 1942, a total of 274,000 passenger cars were registered. With the start of the current registration year, July 1, many motorists failed to renew their registration. As of Dec. 1, 1942, there were only 215,000 vehicles registered.

West Virginia has $78,700,000 worth of road bonds outstanding, and in 1941 an income of $26,000,000 was required to meet bond redemption interest, construction and maintenance, and other costs. About $8,000,000 of this must be spent annually for bond retirement and interest, which represents about 27 percent of income. About 37.4 cents of every highway dollar goes for new construction and 28.9c. for maintenance. Approximately 6.9c. goes [illegible] certain other costs such as plant [illegible] equipment, administration and [illegible] ous miscellaneous expenses.

As previously mentioned, another problem of the West Virginia [illegible] mission has been that of manpow[illegible] There have been large person[illegible] losses among technical and constr[illegible] tion men, such as designers, insp[illegible] tors and instrumentmen. In fact, [illegible] July 1, 1942, there were 256 salar[illegible] employees in the construction di[illegible] sion of the commission, and on Se[illegible] 26, 1942, this group had dropped [illegible] 162 employees. In the maintenan[illegible] division there has also been a co[illegible] siderable loss of key salaried me[illegible] and also of skilled mechanics a[illegible] equipment operators. Many men ha[illegible] left for higher paying jobs. Howev[illegible] the armed forces also have taken [illegible] large toll.

Although much new construct[illegible] originally planned was stopped, th[illegible] has been largely offset by proje[illegible] such as access roads made necessa[illegible] by the war. Therefore, for the cale[illegible] dar year 1942 the construction pr[illegible] gram on a dollar basis was about [illegible] a par with that of 1941. New co[illegible] struction projects financed partly [illegible] wholly with federal funds in 19[illegible] total about $6,000,000.

Because of the difficulty in gettin[illegible] reinforcing steel, it has been nec[illegible] sary to eliminate it as far as possib[illegible] on all new concrete construction. Co[illegible] crete pavements this year have ther[illegible] fore been non-reinforced 8-in. slab[illegible] Likewise, reinforcement has been r[illegible] duced to a minimum on concre[illegible] bridges and in some cases non-rei[illegible] forced abutments have been use[illegible] The use of critical material in ever[illegible] category has been reduced to a min[illegible] mum. This has necessitated the re[illegible] placement, as required, of many sma[illegible] secondary road bridges with timbe[illegible] structures, rather than with somethin[illegible] more permanent.

The State Road Commission [illegible] West Virginia has jurisdiction ov[illegible] both primary and secondary high[illegible] ways, a total of 4,738 miles of pr[illegible] mary roads and 28,136 miles of se[illegible] ondary roads, which makes the prob[illegible] lem of securing maintenance materia[illegible] extremely serious. In the past, th[illegible] state has divided its bituminous re[illegible] quirements between asphalt and tar[illegible] However, it became almost impossibl[illegible] this year to secure asphalt. Much ta[illegible] is produced from by-product co[illegible]

***When West Virginia rebuilt Route U.S. 60 between Charleston and Huntington, a much better alignment was provided, as shown by above view of the new and old pavements. Two 11-ft. lanes are now available, but the design provides for a future 4-lane divided highway.***

*...crete bridge built by West Virginia an access road to an ordnance plant in ...son County has "spill-through" abutments.*

...ns in West Virginia, the produc... of which has been greatly in...ased under the stimulus of war. ...ortage of storage facilities actually ...ulted in a surplus of tar in certain ...tances. Therefore, it was possible ...ecure sufficient tar for the bitumi...us requirements, although there ...s considerable delay in securing ...al approval, with the result that ...ne of the contemplated resurfacing ...ld not be completed in 1942. The ...look for bituminous materials in ...43 is not yet clear.

West Virginia, in common with other states, faces a most difficult problem in obtaining new equipment and repair parts for existing equipment. The various restrictions imposed by the federal government, together with curtailment of revenues will probably result in a very minimum of construction work in 1943. It is hoped, however, that the roads can be effectively maintained with the available men and equipment to provide reasonable transportation facilities throughout the state.

## KENTUCKY HAS MAINTENANCE LABOR

Although manpower for new high...y construction in Kentucky has ...en reduced extensively by the war ...ort from both the contractors' ...ndpoint and that of the Depart...ent of Highways of Kentucky, the ...partment is still fortunate in being ...le to retain the major portion of ...e old-time maintenance crews, ac...rding to G. L. Logan, director of ...nstruction for the department. In ...rtain regions, of course, where war ...ork has been extensive, such as in ...e Louisville and the Cincinnati ...reas, many of the skilled mainte...ance men have left the department ... obtain positions in war industries. ...owever, from the present outlook ...here appears to be no doubt but that ...e maintenance crews now on hand ...ill be able to carry on nearly as ...ell as in the past, provided mate...ials and repair parts are made avail...ble.

Obtaining replacement parts for ...quipment is one of the most severe problems, and it has resulted in the department using its many field shops to make repair parts. Such parts have been used in many instances in the past and have lengthened the life of a great deal of equipment. In regard to winter maintenance and snow removal equipment, major difficulties are not anticipated this winter, since the machinery now on hand for this work is in good condition and has proven sufficient in the past.

The Kentucky department has over 9,500 miles of road to maintain. This total includes more than 4,000 miles of bituminous construction, 2,260 miles of traffic bound macadam, 1,300 miles of portland cement pavement, 970 miles of gravel and 770 miles of rock asphalt. Repair of these varied types of construction requires many different kinds of materials, but there is the advantage that many opportunities are offered for substitution. As a result, Kentucky should be able to obtain sufficient materials for the next few months.

Despite the rather optimistic picture as to maintenance work, the present outlook for new construction is somewhat black. The principal reason for this, of course, is the materials and equipment freeze order placed in effect by the War Production Board to virtually limit highway construction to projects actually essential to the war effort.

The loss of skilled engineering personnel also has kept pace with the sharp reduction in construction work and the department's records show that up to Jan. 1, 1943, personnel losses in various branches were roughly as follows: 50 percent of the men having the ratings of levelmen, instrument men and technical inspectors, 30 percent of the resident engineers and 60 percent of the men in the bridge design and road drafting offices. Therefore, the department with its present engineering personnel would be unable to handle construction programs as large as those in the last two construction seasons.

The department during the latter part of the 1942 construction season had difficulty in getting a sufficient number of bidders on highway construction projects. This condition was due to the fact that many contractors had war contracts, and those available to bid did not appear interested in highway work that did not carry an especially high priority rating. Another reason given by the contractors for not being interested in road contracts was their inability to obtain sufficient skilled men to carry on construction operations. Contractors have likewise complained in regard to the shortage of common labor for road construction. In addition, surfacing contractors made known that it was almost impossible to obtain trucks by any method of negotiation and to interest a hauling contractor in connection with new work appeared to be a thing of the past. The fact that several county seats in Kentucky are located 40 miles from any railroad, and some smaller isolated towns much farther, makes the problem more difficult.

The combination of all the conditions enumerated has assisted in making Kentucky highway projects decidedly unattractive to the contractors. Therefore, the engineering

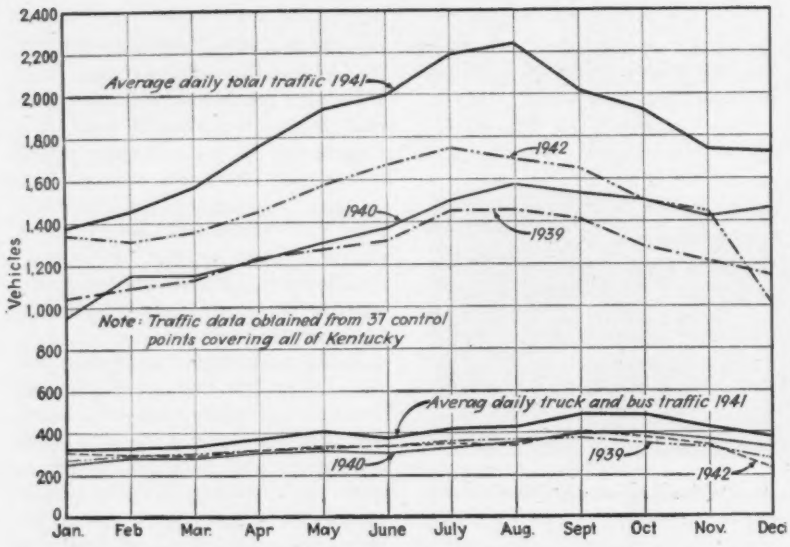



**Fig. 1. Traffic on Kentucky highways in 1942 was greatly reduced over 1941, but for the most part greater than for the three previous years. The chart above was prepared by the traffic department of the Kentucky Highway Planning survey.**

and supervision shortage, together with an apparent lack of prospective bidders for highway work, would make it most difficult for the department to carry on a large construction program in 1943, even if priorities on materials were issued freely.

The Kentucky department completed 90 percent of its 1942 program before the winter season of 1942 started. Virtually all of the concrete paving constructed last year was placed without the use of mesh reinforcement, tie bars, and load transfer devices. Many culvert structures, principally the arch type, were constructed without the use of reinforcing steel. Timber bridges have not been built in large numbers and only on secondary roads. This type of construction is considered unsatisfactory from a maintenance standpoint. Also, restrictions on timber and supplies prohibit the construction of many types of timber structures.

In the fiscal year that ended April 1, 1942, Kentucky spent for new work $11,625,000 of which $4,276,000 was federal-aid funds. Maintenance during the same period on the state-road system cost $5,374,000. In addition, $1,832,000 was spent for maintenance and construction on rural highways, which are not a part of the state-maintained system. Estimates for expenditures for the fiscal year to end April 1, 1943, are not yet available, but indications are that expenditures for this period will not be nearly as great as for the previous twelve months.

Income from motor vehicle registration and license permits was slightly reduced in 1942. During the calendar year of 1942 these collections amounted to $3,231,494, compared to $3,233,165 in 1941.

As expected, the reduction in traffic, including truck and bus traffic during 1942 was considerable. This reduction is shown graphically by the accompanying chart. As a result of the reduced traffic there also was a large reduction in the income from gas taxes. For the calendar year 1942 the gas tax revenue collections were $14,146,371, which compare with $16,663,545 for the 1941 calendar year.

In conclusion, it should be stated that as the spring of 1943 approaches maintenance work is expected to maintain most of its high standards for at least the first few months, since sufficient materials are on hand to commence some of the heaviest maintenance operations when weather conditions permit. However, new construction work, traffic and revenue are expected to continue to decline.

**Most notable bridge project underway in Kentucky is on U. S. Route 25 over the Kentucky River at Clays Ferry. It is to replace the old iron bridge in background built in 1869, and requires piers 198 ft high to support a 26-ft. clear roadway 250 ft. above normal pool level. The central portion is to be a 3-span continuous deck truss with a 448-ft. middle span.**

*Fig. 1. Wellpoints eliminated the need for sheeting in constructing this 27-in. dia. Sewer in a 14-ft. deep trench.*

# Wellpoints Eliminate Sheeting for Sewer

***ontents in Brief**—Wellpoints expedited construction of a 27-in. dia. rein-rced-concrete sewer in a 14 ft. deep trench in sandy soil where the ater table is only 3½ ft. below the surface. Two lines of points, one on ther side of the trench, permitted the use of 2 on 1 side slopes. An 18-man ew installed 40 ft. of sewer per 10-hr. day at a cost of $10.50 per lin. ft.*

O AVOID THE USE of sheeting in con-ructing a deep sewer in bad soil here the water table is but 3½ ft. low the surface, the general con-actor on a Portsmouth, Va., project employing wellpoints to great ad-ntage, installation cost is less than sheeting were employed and, in ad-tion, safe and rapid progress is pos-ble. The project involves construc-on of 2,000 ft. of 27-in. dia. rein-rced-concrete gravity sewer at a pth of 14 ft. in a very sandy soil t has the qualities of quicksand hen disturbed.

The sewer is an important part of outlet sewer serving a population f 18,000 that is to occupy a 5,200-nit war housing development just utside Portsmouth (See *ENR*, Aug. 3, 1942, p. 212 for housing details).

The general construction procedure is to use on each side of the ditch, which has a top width of about 13 ft., a line of wellpoints on 5-ft. centers and to connect the two lines by 6-in. headers. Each wellpoint consists of a 3-ft. long screen at the end of 16 ft. of 2-in. dia. pipe. This length of pipe was chosen to permit the wellpoints to project 3 to 5 ft. below the invert of the sewer.

A total of 80 points are employed. Generally 50 to 60 points are used to draw down the water while the others are removed and installed ahead. The 50 points used for the dewatering operation are interconnected so that they can be served by a single 6-in. centrifugal pump. The latter discharges into an open ditch paralleling the sewer some 50 ft. away. Total discharge from 50 points is about 20,000 gal. per hr.

The wellpoints are jetted into the ground by use of a 6-in. centrifugal pump creating a pressure of 150 psi. A 4-man crew, installing the points one at a time, is able to put down about 15 points an hour. Water for the jetting operation is obtained by a suction line extending to the open ditch previously mentioned, or from the wellpoint system itself.

### Pump operates continuously

The discharge pump connected to the wellpoints operates 24 hours per day and if for any reason it has to be shut down, water begins to appear within a few minutes at the bottom of the trench. In a short time the incoming water causes the sides of the trench to slide in and within about 3 hours the entire trench probably would be full of water, as in that period the inflow would rise to the level of the water table. Thus, when the pump normally connected to the well points has to be moved forward,

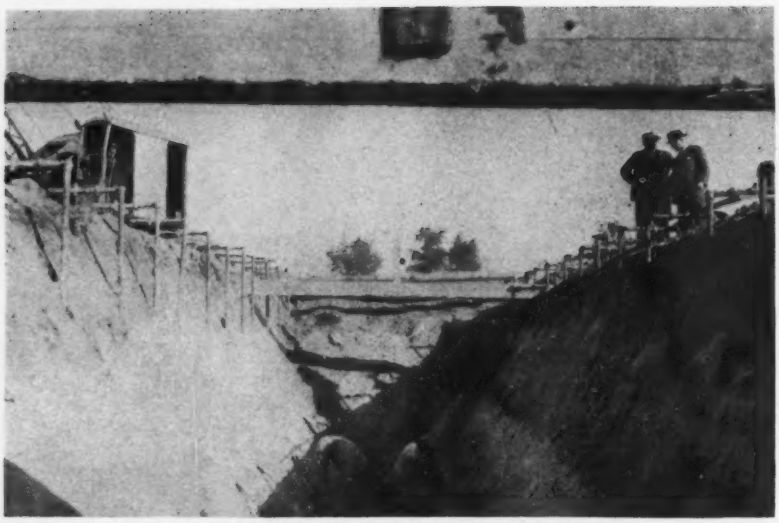


*Fig. 2. Use of the wellpoints permitted 2 on 1 side slopes, which are trimmed by hand. The soil is a fine sand that becomes very unstable when wet. Stratification of the soil may be noted.*

*Fig. 3. Sections of pipe are lowered into ditch by crane that does backfilling. A continuous cradle is built under pipe to give it strength to carry the load of the deep backfill. Concrete for this cradle is mixed on the job and placed by the chute shown at the left.*

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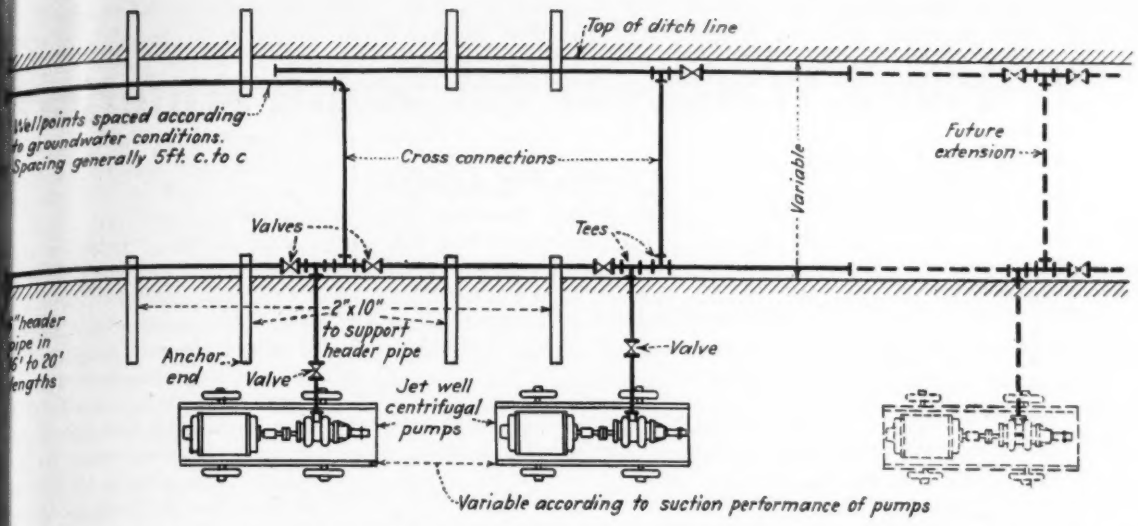


**Fig. 4. Plan of pipe layout for use of about 80 wellpoints. Two lines of wellpoints, one on either side of the trench, are employed and the wellpoints are spaced according to groundwater conditions or generally on 5-ft. centers. The layout illustrated permits use of one pump for unwatering purposes and one unit for jetting new wellpoints into place.**

eded for each foot of sewer pipe. The second crane, in addition to moving the "clean up" excavation and lowering the pipe sections into place, also does the backfilling. No compaction of this fill is required because of its sandy nature. In addition the second crane pulls up the wellpoints that are no longer needed and transports them forward; the points are pulled up one at a time after the header pipes have been disconnected.

In a 10-hr. day and despite rainy weather an 18-man crew is able to construct an average of 40 ft. of sewer per day, including all operations except manufacturing the pipe. In good weather 50 ft. per day is not uncommon, and as much as 60 ft. has been placed in a day. The 18-man crew consists of the following workers: 2 crane operators and oilers; 1 pump man; 4 men who jet the wellpoint pipes into place; 2 men trimming the sides of the trench; 4 men on the mixing operations; 2 men laying the pipe, and one foreman in general charge.

**Sewer costs $10.50 per ft.**

Total cost per foot of pipe, including the excavation of the trench, laying the pipe and backfilling, is $8.50. Supplying and placing the concrete for the cradle is by the same contractor at a cost of $2.00 per ft., making the total cost of the sewer, exclusive of manholes, $10.50 per lin. ft.

In the 2,000 ft. of sewer only four manholes are required and these are of brick construction and 4-ft. diameter. They are used where there is a change in alignment and not over 600 ft. apart. Each manhole costs $175.

The work is being carried out by general contract by the Norfolk regional office of the Federal Works Agency with Blair Boyle, regional engineer. The N.A.K. Bugbee & Co., Inc., Trenton, N. J., is the contractor for whom Herbert W. Bradley is in general charge and William Driver, superintendent. Greeley and Hansen, Chicago, with H. B. Wildschut, resident engineer, is architect-engineer for the work. Moretrench Corporation, Rockaway, N. J., aided in the solution of the dewatering problem.

**Fig. 5. When wellpoints are moved forward, they are jetted in place one at a time by 4-man crew using centrifugal pump that develops 150-psi. pressure.**

# Inland Waterway For South America

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***Contents in Brief**—With the background of thirty years experience in port developments and other engineering work in South America, the author outlines a plan for an inland waterway that would traverse the very heart of this continent. Such a waterway would be invaluable in opening vast new territories for development, and thus help to implement postwar relations with our neighbors to the south.*

THE PROPOSED SANITATION and health program for Amazonas, Brazil, reported in *Engineering News-Record*, impels the writer to call attention to a short paragraph that appeared recently in the *Washington Post* in the column written by Drew Pearson. This item stated that the presidents of Brazil and Venezuela had pointed to the practicability of developing an inland waterway from the Orinoco to the Amazon via the Cassiquiare and Rio Negro rivers; it was further stated that the president of Venezuela had already had a reconnaisance made, which showed that few difficulties existed in the way of opening up such a waterway.

This substantiates what the writer has known for many years, that a route, navigable at certain seasons of each year, already exists from the Orinoco to the Rio Negro, a route which may be safely negotiated by steam launches of at least six feet draft.

### Early observations

In the early '90's, while connected with the port developments at Manaos, the writer observed that each year, at a certain season, flotillas of huge canoes, manned by Indians, arrived at the port to trade pissava and fibres for manufactured goods; it was reported that these Indians came from the Vichada and Guaviare rivers in Colombia.

Curiosity led the writer to accompany an Armenian trader, who had connections at Sao Gabriel and Sao Felipe, on a voyage to the upper Rio Negro and to induce him to make the passage into the Orinoco. This was done without untoward incident, and the descent of the Orinoco was made to the town of San Fernando. In deference to the wishes of the owner of the 25-ft. steam launch, whose interest was dictated by commercial reasons, further exploration was abandoned and we returned to Manaos.

Since that time, some thirty years' residence in various parts of Brazil afforded opportunities to make voyages on tributaries of the Amazon and to interview pilots and *seringueiros* and to study maps and to discuss the waterways of Amazonas with men who had accompanied General R[ondon] on his surveys from the Boli[via] to the Guiana frontiers. These in[vestigations] have convinced the w[riter] that it is feasible, not only to ope[n] an inland waterway from the Ori[noco] to the Amazon but to do so from[the] Amazon to the Paraguay River [and] thence to Buenos Aires; a comp[lete] waterway extending for 5,300 m[iles] through the heart of South Ame[rica].

***Suggested route of the inland waterway through the heart of South America.***

### Route selection easy

This route, starting at the m[outh] of the Orinoco would go via the C[asi]siquiare to the Rio Negro, to [the] Amazon, to the Purus and the [Ma]Acre. From that river a way w[ould] have to be found into the Mam[oré] above the rapids. The distance is [a]about 150 miles and many large r[iv]ers such as the Orton, the Madre [de] Dios and the Beni cut across this t[er]ritory and flow into the Madei[ra] Mamore rapids.

From the confluence of the Mam[oré] and the Guapore investigations w[ould] have to be made to ascertain wh[ich] of the many rivers would provide t[he] best route to the Paraguay. The Gu[a]pore has its source in lowlands [near] which the Paraguay also has its he[ad] waters, but it is possible that a r[oute] up the Magdelena, in Bolivia, w[ould] lead to flat lands through which can[al] ization into rivers leading directly [to] Puerto Suarez, on the Paraguay, o[p]posite to Corumba, would be adv[is]able.

Twenty-five years ago the conte[m]plation of such a project would ha[ve] been almost out of the question: t[o]day aerial reconnaissance makes t[he] selection of a route a comparative[ly] simple matter.

The objectives of such a waterw[ay] would be, not to shorten the pres[ent] sea route from Atlantic ports, in t[he] country to the coastal cities of Arge[n]tina and Brazil, but to open up a[n]bring people into the real heart [of] the South American continent.

Manaos, a deep water port, is 1,000 miles from the sea. It is situated at 30°S. 60°W. and accessible only from Belem which is at 1° 30′ S. 48° W. necessitating a three and one half days voyage, by *ocean steamer* up the river. To visualize the matter better, suppose that the Mississippi at Davenport, Iowa, was four miles wide, was connected to the sea by a fixed channel having an average depth of 125 ft. and that from Davenport there reached out in four directions fairly deep waterways, never frozen, whose aggregate length totaled 30,000 miles and whose seasonal stages could be predicated with great accuracy.

This is the condition that prevails at Manaos, a city of 50,000 people, well above the 40 ft. annual highwater stage of the river, a city which forty years ago was carved out of the forest and supplied with modern sewerage, waterworks, electricity, paved streets, habitable houses and an opera house more pretentious than New York City possesses. It is a natural center for a territory comprising 50 percent of Brazil as well as a large part of Colombia, Peru and Bolivia. Its sole means of access is by river or by airplane yet it is really a seaport accessible by ships of 8,000 tons while Iquitos, in Peru, 2,300 miles from the sea is served by ships from England of 3,000 tons.

#### Climatic conditions

It is unfortunate that sensational reports have blackened the climatic conditions that exist in Amazonas. The trouble, years ago, was that rubber brought a high price, something like 18 shillings a kilogram, the States of Amazonas and Para levied a 20 percent export tax on it and the idea of everyone that went into that section was to make as much money as possible in a short time and then take it somewhere else.

Malaria, did, and still does exist, to a certain extent, outside of the larger towns and neglect of sanitation could lead to the recurrence of yellow fever, but bad health conditions in Amazonas were due mainly to wrong diet and bad housing rather than to climate. The writer knows from experience that the climate of the Amazon is far superior to that of the lower Mississippi valley and that the heat in any of our large cities is far more uncomfortable than that in Manaos or Belem.

The only thing that ever worried the writer while away from Manaos or Belem was the inaccessibility of medical skill in case of necessity such as might arise from appendicitis or other sudden attack of organic malady. However, nothing ever happened calling for a surgeons skill.

The fact is, that during the time that rubber was king, there were men who went into the far corners of this territory and built themselves small empires and were self-sufficient. One dynasty of brothers came there from Portugal and setting up their realm on the Putumayo River, on the frontier between Peru and Colombia, accumulated considerable wealth and surrounded themselves with every comfort. They maintained shops and shipyards and even their private army. It is probably correct to state that even today there are other hidden empires there run by men who prefer to live apart from cities or contact with the outer world.

Some twenty-five years ago Brazil ceded a tract of 10,000 square kilometers, on the Amazon, near Obidos, to a Japanese colony; since that time this colony has spread and another now exists at a place called Monte Alegre, about 100 miles from the Ford rubber plantation near Santarem.

There is evidence that the Phoenicians frequently visited the Amazon and below the mouth of the Madeira there is a rock fashioned like the prow of a galley upon which are marks pointing to the Madeira, the Rio Negro and to the upper Amazon. In fact the river, beyond Manaos, is known as the Solimões (the Solomon). This name was taken from the aboriginal Indians who lived there; the conjecture is that they obtained it from the Phoenicians. Even in Rio de Janeiro, thousands of miles from Amazonas, there is a mountain, Gavea, upon whose granite sides there are the remains of a colassal head evidently sculptured by Phoenicians.

#### Postwar implications

While the present interest in Amazonas is due to the desire for rubber, it is hoped that this interest will not die out as heretofore. The Amazon basin comprises a territory of greater extent than the East Indian empire upon which the Japanese have laid violent hands and is just as valuable and much nearer to us. In addition it is the patrimony of a people who think more or less as we do, have the same love of personal liberty and with whom it is not at all difficult to cooperate.

For these reasons it might be well for us to consider what might ensue for the common welfare, if a study were commenced which would lead to the development of the inland waterway indicated herein.

## Moisture Barriers Prevent Condensation in Walls

The accumulation of condensation in the walls of air-conditioned frame houses may be avoided by the use of moisture barriers, according to the National Bureau of Standards, Department of Commerce.

The widespread application of air conditioning to houses to promote better health and greater comfort brought with it the problem of how to keep moisture out of the walls.

Vapor from the warm, humidified inside air under certain conditions enters the walls and often accumulates there during cold weather to an extent that may cause serious damage.

The Bureau of Standards has studied the problem in cooperation with the Insulation Board Institute by actually observing what took place inside the north wall of a frame house during winter weather while a relatively high humidity was maintained inside the house.

As explained in Building Materials and Structures Report BMS93, condensation within walls can be avoided by using a vapor barrier to prevent the moisture from entering the walls from the warm side. In instances where this type of protection was not employed, condensation occurred during an exposure of two weeks duration in Washington, D. C., in moderate winter weather.

Tests showed that there was no basic difference between the performance, with respect to the accumulation of moisture, of walls of standard wood construction and those in which fiber sheathing boards were used. In all instances of condensation, the accumulation of moisture was greatest in the lower portions at or near the sills, where decay would be serious.

Copies of BMS93 may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C., at 10 cents.

# Single Wall System of House Assembly

*Fig. 1. Preassembled vertical wall panels speed erection of war housing.*

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***Contents in Brief**—An erection system based on the use of vertical, single wall panel units coupled with assembly procedures utilizing both site and factory fabrication facilities is the most recent development in war housing. Columns and girders serve as the principal structural wall members, but window and door trim as well as the window panels also function as supporting members. The single wall material consists of a 1 in. core of rigid insulation board laminated on both sides with plywood.*

A NEWLY DEVISED SYSTEM of construction, in which the use of single wall panels are featured, was employed for the erection of 500 demountable houses in the Newport News, Va. area recently. The most significant results obtained were ease of erection, minimum use of critical materials, minimum waste, and flexibility in design.

The houses were partly factory-fabricated and partly site-fabricated. The rough lumber units such as floor framing panels, roof trusses, sheathing panels and ceiling nailers were assembled on jigs in a temporary canvas-covered shelter conveniently located on the site. Finished units such as columns, girders, windows, doors, facia, gutter, exterior and interior wall panels and interior millwork were manufactured in a factory and shipped to the job ready.

Matern, Graff & Paul of New York City designed and developed th structural system and the plan la out. Every operation including archi tectural drawings, field fabricati drawings, factory fabrication dra ings and erection drawings tho oughly detailed. In many cases re dered isometric drawings were pr vided to clarify an assembly proce or an erection detail. All the drawing were put on 8½ x 11-in. sheets an were assembled in booklet form f use on the job. C. M. Guest & S of Anderson, S. C., were the contra tors on the work.

### General arrangement

Three types of houses were built— a one-bedroom unit, 24x24 ft. plan; a two-bedroom unit 24x28 ft. and a three-bedroom unit 24x32 ft. They all contained a combination liv ing and dining room, kitchen, bath storage space and adequate closets besides the designated number o bedrooms. The two-bedroom units were predominant. All the houses were single story, dual units.

As shown in the floor plans, th living room, dining alcove, kitchen and even the storage space flow to gether to give the impression o spaciousness and openness; it should be noted, however, that the kitchen and storage is well-shielded from the living room. The partition between the dining alcove and the storage space does not go to the ceiling. Doors were used only for the bed rooms and bathroom and, in a very few cases, for closets. An exterior feature was the use of 13 ft. of con tinuous glass on the end elevation with a covered porch (4x8 ft.) and trellises.

### Structural design features

Outstanding characteristic of th construction is its functional appear ance. For example, the main struc tural wall members such as the col umns and girders are exposed on the interior and are decorative. The sy

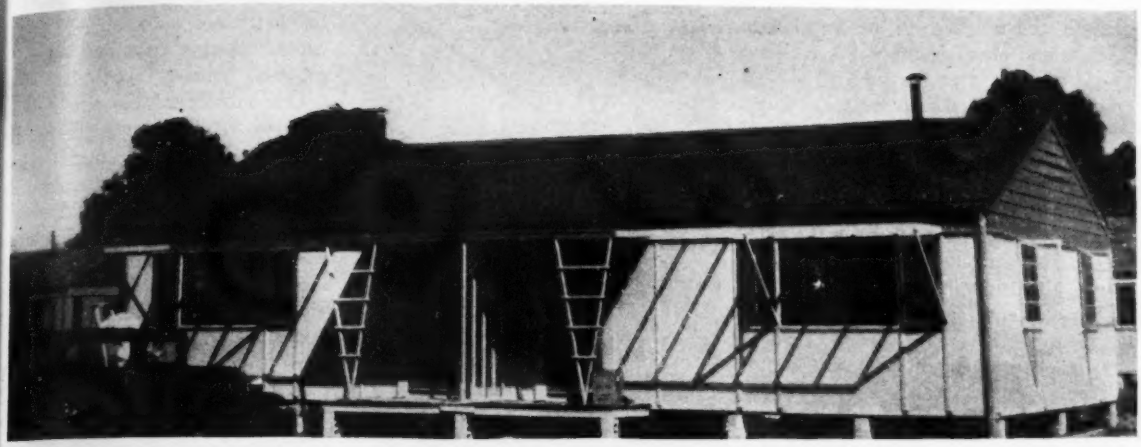


*Fig. 2. Complete accommodations for two families are provided in each dwelling unit, one of which is shown almost at the stage of completion.*

tem of construction is basically post and lintel. All window and door trim perform a structural function.

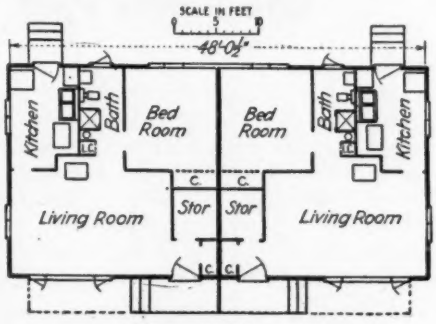
Window panels, which come to the job completely assembled with hardware, screen and one coat of paint, act as supporting members. The load is transferred from a wood girder to the head of the window and thence down through the jambs to the floor beams and foundation. Typical window units are 4 ft. and 2 ft. wide and 8 ft. high. Milled columns 3½x3½ in. are placed 4 ft. from the window units provided that another window unit does not occur within this spacing. As a result the average roof girder spacing is 4 ft.

The exterior wall panel is only 1½ in. thick. It consists of a 1-in. core of rigid insulation board laminated on both faces with ¼-in. Douglas Fir plywood; the exterior plywood is hot-pressed and made with a waterproof glue. Insulating qualities of this wall are superior to that of an uninsulated brick veneer wall of standard construction.

The wall panel is applied vertically and fastened to the framework by means of screws driven in with a hammer around the periphery of the panel. At the top the panel is screw-nailed to the girder, at the sides it is screw-nailed to the window jambs and columns, and at the bottom it is fastened to the floor joists. Most of the panels are 4x8 ft. in size. Since plywood has now become a critical material, gypsum, pressed wood, asbestos-cement and linoleum are now being used for the exterior facing on the panels.

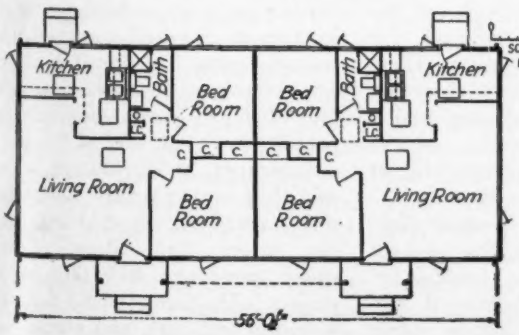
Floor framing panels were made up in the site shop on jigs. They were set on concrete block piers and held together by wood dowels. A sub-floor of ¾-in. vapor-sealed rigid insulation was tacked to the floor framing; this material was supplied in panels of 4x12 ft. Prefinished oak flooring, $\frac{25}{32}$ in. thick, was blind nailed through the insulation into the floor framing.

After the floor was down, the columns, windows and girders, doors and exterior wall panels were then erected. Simple Fink trusses, with no member larger than a 2x4, were used to span the 24-ft. width of the house. The trusses were fabricated in a site shop where a crew of sawyers cut to

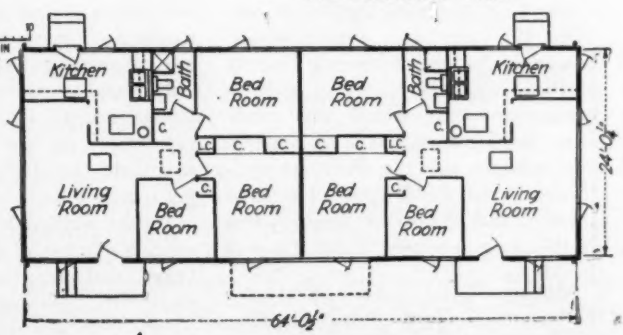



ONE-BEDROOM UNIT

*Fig. 3. Three types of floor layout were used, a one-bedroom unit, 24x24 ft. in plan; a two-bedroom unit 24x28 ft.; and a three-bedroom unit 24x32 ft., otherwise the layouts are practically the same. The three plan schemes as developed afford an ample living space in relation to the service units of the house.*




TWO-BEDROOM UNIT




THREE-BEDROOM UNIT

length and notched all the members. Assembled on a jig table, the trusses were completed at the rate of 115 a day. Spaced 2 ft. on centers, they were erected at the rate of 1¼ minutes per truss.

The two end trusses varied slightly from the intermediate trusses, in that siding was applied to them in the site shop. The upper pieces were bowed-out to furnish ventilation, after which the rake and eaves vent members were applied.

Also assembled in the site shop were the roof sheathing panels. These consisted of 1x8-roofers held together with 2x2-in. cleats placed 2 ft. on centers. The cleats were nailed to the sides of the upper chords of the trusses. Asphalt shingles were applied to the sheathing panels.

Ceiling panels 4 ft. square and of ¾-in. thick rigid insulation with one side finished, were inserted into T-shaped wood splines that were nailed to the bottom of the trusses.

In laying out the interior partitions, the door frames with overdoor piece and hardware that came to the job preassembled, were the first to be erected (Fig. 3). With these in place

*Fig. 3. In laying out the interior, complete door assemblies were first erected and then the partitions were put in place.*

the partitions automatically were located. Interior partitions were ¼-in. plywood panels.

One corner of the site shop was devoted to plumbing activities. Here the rough plumbing members were cut to length and assembled into workable units. Two field men installed the rough plumbing at the rate of 3 hours a house. A centrally located coal-fired space heater provides adequate heat for the entire house.

In order to speed erection the field men were organized into crews. The foreman of each crew was given erection diagrams relating to the specific task that his crew was to perform. After the crews became proficient in their operation they averaged construction of twenty houses a day.

In conclusion, it should be noted that the vertical system single wall type of construction has features of flexibility that readily adapt it for use in the erection of dormitories, or even apartment dwellings. The system has been approved by the Federal Public Housing Authority for use on its projects.

# City Planning Agencies Playing Important Part in War Effort

City planning agencies got full experience last year in their double role of laying out for present needs and predicting for the future as they were called upon to solve current problems in war housing and community facilities, with an eye to fulfilling after-war needs wherever possible.

Activities of a majority of the 1,200 local planning bodies during 1942 fell into two classifications, according to the American Society of Planning Officials. First, work in connection with actual war problems ranging from roads to housing. An example was the close cooperation between the Denver plan commission and the Army headquarters in that area in solving army planning problems.

Second, preparation of capital budgets and public works programs for post-war operation. This work was taken over by the local governments when the Federal Public Work Reserve, which stimulated it, went out of existence

### Zoning laws relaxed

Zoning, long familiar planning tool for regulating land-use, gained new prominence in 1942 as temporary modifications were made in existing ordinances to meet demands of the national homes use program for accommodating war workers. Those cities making concessions, according to the society, are relaxing zoning regulations for the duration only, so that their land-use programs will not get out of control after the war.

In connection with postwar planning, a number of city plan agencies urged that surpluses accruing because of declining municipal employee lists and inability to obtain construction material should be used to prepare plans and build a financial backlog for the future. Some planning agencies adopted the viewpoint that existing tax rates should be maintained because people at present have "the ability to pay," and because the maintenance of tax rates will help in a small way to avoid inflation.

### Urban rehabilitation

The problem of urban redevelopment after the war received increasing attention in 1942, the society said. Kentucky followed the lead of New York, Illinois and Michigan in passing an urban redevelopment act. In Detroit, a specific proposal for redevelopment of a site of 111 acres was formulated for operation under the Michigan redevelopment corporation law Net cost of the site is estimated at $3,520,000, or a unit cost of 71 cents a square foot of land which already is supplied with utilities, streets and alleys. Detroit would contribute $739,000 to the project in the form of land for street widening and park and recreational purposes.

# Beam-Method of Design For Eccentrically-Loaded Columns

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***Contents in Brief**—A direct method of design for eccentrically loaded columns, in place of the trial procedure ordinarily used, is possible by transposing the column section into a comparable beam section and solving as for a beam. Essential step are to move eccentric load onto the tension steel, add enough steel area to take care of it, and to replace the effect of the eccentricity by a moment. Then if the column section is rotated 90 deg. it becomes a beam, and can be solved as such. This design method was first presented by the author last May in a lecture before the school of engineering, Princeton University.*

IN THE DESIGN of reinforced concrete members subject to bending only, for instance a beam, it is customary to determine the dimensions directly, using formulas based upon the allowable stresses. But if a member is subject to both bending and compression, with tension over part of the section, for instance a column, a comparably direct design method has not been available. Instead, most textbooks recommend a trial method, by which, for the given load conditions, a section with assumed reinforcement is made up, and the resulting stresses determined. If these stresses are found to be too far off from the given stresses, a new section is made up, the stresses are figured again, and so on. (See Peabody, The Design of Reinforced Concrete Structures, Pages 237-240; Dunham, Theory and Practice of Reinforced Concrete, Pages 178-179.)

To overcome the disadvantages of such a procedure, a method is presented herein by which a column subject to bending and compression, with tension over part of the section, can be designed with the use of ordinary beam formulas. Called, for convenience, the "Beam-Method for the Design of Columns," it is mathematically correct and leads directly to the results.

In designing columns by present methods the tensile stress caused by eccentric loads is assumed to be taken by the tension steel alone. For example in Fig. 1 a column is shown with a load $N$ applied in such a way as to cause tension. This eccentric load $N$ may be replaced by a centric load $N$ and a moment $M = Ne$, if $e$ represents the eccentricity, as also shown in Fig. 1 (right).

The following relations between the internal and external forces exist, because the sum of all vertical projections must equal zero:

$$N = 1/2\, f_c bx + A'f'_s - A_s f_s \qquad (1)$$

And, because the moments around the centerline must equal zero—

$$M = 1/2\, f_c bx\,(h/2 - x/3) + A'f'_s r + A_s f_s r \qquad (2)$$

It is obvious that

$$\frac{f_s}{nf_c} = \frac{d-x}{x}$$

$$\text{so } f_s = \frac{nf_c\,(d-x)}{x} \qquad (3)$$

and that

$$\frac{f'_s}{nf_c} = \frac{x-d'}{x}$$

$$\text{so } f_s' = \frac{nf_c\,(x-d')}{x} \qquad (4)$$

These four equations contain four unknowns $f_s$, $f_s'$, $f_c$, and x. By solving them simultaneously and by eliminating $f_s$, $f_s'$ and $f_c$, an expression for x is obtained. Being of the third power, however, it is not so easy to solve, yet its solution is necessary before the stresses may be determined.

In the proposed beam method the condition shown in Fig. 1 may be represented by assuming the load $N$ applied over $A_s$ and by using a moment $M_s = Nt$, as shown at the left in Fig. 2.

By such a procedure, the column subject to bending and compression will change into a beam, subject to bending only, as shown at the right in Fig. 2, if a certain amount of tension steel $A_{s2}$ is added, which must be used to engage the load $N$, utilizing the prevailing steel stress $f_s$.

We then have

$$A_{s2} f_s = N, \text{ or } A_{s1} = A_s + N/f_s \qquad (5)$$

which means, that $A_{s1}$ will take care of stresses resulting from the moment and $A_{s2}$ will take care of the applied load $N$.

It is obvious that the values of $f_s$, $f_s'$, $f_c$ and $x$, shown in the column, must be the same in the beam. It is also obvious that these values are more easily figured by using the beam in place of the column.

For a beam the neutral axis is located by the value $x = kd$, and this value is given by the formula

$$x = \sqrt{A^2 + B} - A \qquad (6)$$

where

$$A = n/b\,(A_s' + A_s)$$

$$\text{and } B = 2n/b\,(A_s'd' + A_s d) \qquad (7a, b)$$

The concrete stress therefore, may be represented by

$$f_c = \frac{M}{\frac{bx}{2}\left(d - \frac{x}{3}\right) + \frac{nA'_s(x-d')(d-d')}{x}} \qquad (8)$$

the steel stress by

$$f_s = \frac{nf_c\,(d-x)}{x} \qquad (9)$$

and the compression steel stress by

$$f'_s = \frac{nf_c\,(x-d')}{x} \qquad (10)$$

Using these formulas the following procedure can be used to obtain the reinforcing in a column subject

to compression and bending with tension over part of the section:

Figure the tension steel area for an ordinary beam with the same dimensions as the column, using the moment $M_s$. Deduct from this tension steel area an area equal to the load $N$ divided by the working steel tension stress $f_s$. The result is the tension steel area in the column.

Figure the compression steel area for the beam with the same dimensions as the column, using the moment $M_s$. The result is the compression steel area in the column. The "beam-method" cannot be applied readily for the determination of the stresses directly from known dimensions on account of the term $N/f_s$, which contains the unknown value $f_s$. However, it is easily applied and very useful for checking stresses, or for cases in which the steel stress can be assumed first.

The following problem will illustrate the method. A 12 x 22 in. column takes an eccentric load of 24,000 lb., applied 26 in. from the center. If the steel areas are $A_s = 1.184$ sq. in. and $A_s' = 1.330$ sq. in., and if $d' = 2$ in., $n = 15$, and the unit design stress is 20,000 psi., find the stresses. In Fig. 3 these conditions are shown at the left while at the right the column is shown as a beam.

The first step is to change to "beam-design" by (1), taking moments with reference to $A_s$, resulting in $M_s = 24{,}000\ (26 + 9) = 840{,}000$ in.-lb; and (2) adding steel tension area engaged by load of 24,000 lb. applied in $A_s$ or $N/f_s = 24{,}000/20{,}000 = 1.2$ sq. in. Therefore $A_{s1} = 1.184 + 1.200 = 2.384$ sq. in.

It is now possible to use the beam in Fig. 3, right, to determine the neutral axis and the stresses. These values will then be the same for the column as given in the problem.

The neutral axis is determined from Eqs. (6) and (7). Thus,

$A = 15/12 \times (1.330 + 2.384) = 4.64$

$B = 2 \times 15/12 \times (1.330 \times 2 + 2.384 \times 20) = 125.8$

so

$$x = \sqrt{4.64^2 + 125.8} - 4.64 = 7.50 \text{ in.}$$

Finally the concrete stress from Eq. 8 is

$$f_c = \frac{840{,}000}{\frac{12 \times 7.5}{2}(20 - \frac{7.5}{3}) + \frac{15 \times 1.330(7.5 - 2)(20 - 2}{7.5}} = 800 \text{ psi}$$

and the steel stress from Eq. 9 is

$$f_s = \frac{15 \times 800\ (20 - 7.5)}{7.5} = 20{,}000 \text{ psi.}$$

This value of $f_s$ checks with the assumed value of $f_s$, used when the quantity $N/f_s$ was figured in order to determine the tension steel area $A_{s1}$.

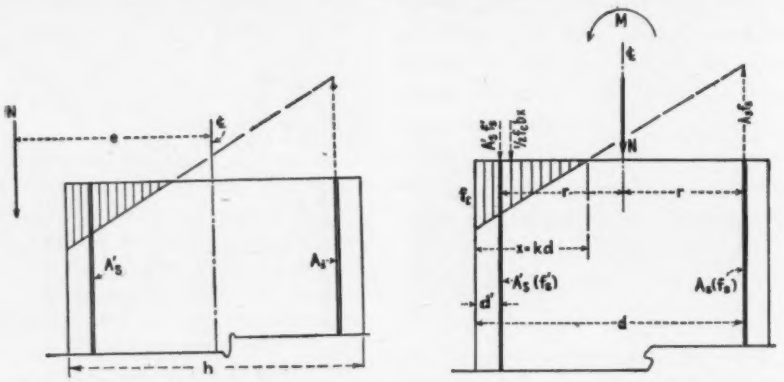


*Fig. 1. In setting up equations in usual design procedure, column loading condition (left) is replaced by equivalent condition (right) in which eccentric load N is replaced by axial load N and a moment Ne.*

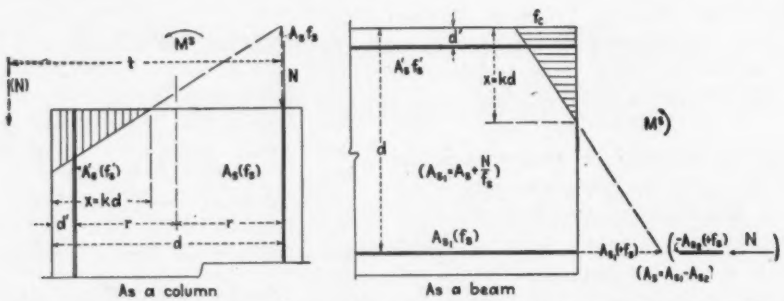


*Fig. 2. In the "beam method" of design, the eccentric load is considered as being replaced by an equal load acting on the tension steel and a moment Nt, as shown in left diagram. Then the column section is rotated ninety degrees (right) and considered as a beam.*

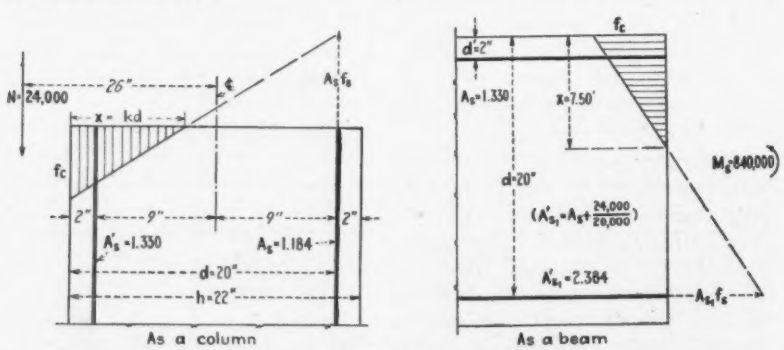


*Fig. 3. Application of the beam-method to a column, when the steel areas are given and it is desired to determine stresses in the concrete and the steel.*

### Design for given stresses

If the stresses are given and the dimensions are sought, the "beam-method" will get the results directly and correctly. It makes no difference whether tension and compression steel is used, or tension steel only.

When the stresses are known, it is obvious that the neutral axis is fixed. Therefore, with $x = kd$, the following well known formulas apply:

$$k = \frac{nf_c}{nf_c + f_s} \quad (11)$$

and

$$j = 1 - k/3 \quad (12)$$

*Tension steel only*—For the "beam-design" use $M_s = Nt$ and $A_{s1} = A_s + N/f_s$

For known stresses the minimum effective depth $d$ of the column for tension steel only will, therefore, be

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{M_s}{Kb}} \qquad (13)$$

and the tension steel area in the beam becomes

$$A_{s1} = \frac{M_s}{f_s\, jd} \qquad (14)$$

The tension steel area in the column is, therefore,

$$A_s = \frac{M_s}{f_s\, jd} - \frac{N}{f_s} \qquad (15)$$

using the constant $K = 1/2\, f_c\, kj$ as given in standard concrete tables.

As an example, assume a column 12 in. wide is to be designed to take an eccentric load of 24,000 lb., 26 in. from the working line, the distance to the back of the column from this working line being 11 in. It is required to find the depth of the column if only tension steel is used and also to find the amount of tension steel. The allowable stresses are $f_s = 20{,}000$ psi, and $f_c = 800$ psi.; further $r' = 2$ in. and $n = 15$. Also for the stresses given, the constant $K$ can be found from tables to be 131.3.

For the "beam-design" use $M_s = 24{,}000 \times 35 = 840{,}000$ in. lb. so the minimum effective depth with tension steel alone becomes

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{840{,}000}{131.3 \times 12}} = 22.1 \text{ in.}$$

and the tension steel area in the column is

$$A_s = \frac{840{,}000}{20{,}000 \times 22.1 \times 0.875} - \frac{24{,}000}{20{,}000}$$
$$= 1.97 \text{ sq. in.}$$

*Tension and compression steel.*—In Fig. 5 is shown a column with both tension and compression steel subjected to an eccentric load $N$ applied at a distance $e$ from the centerline of the column. The first step is to move this load over $A_s$ and add a moment $M_s = Nt$. This condition is shown in Fig. 5 (center).

Now for the "beam-design" (Fig. 5, right) use

$$M_s = Nt$$

and

$$A_{s1} = A_s + N/f_s$$

and determine the steel areas as if only an ordinary beam were being considered.

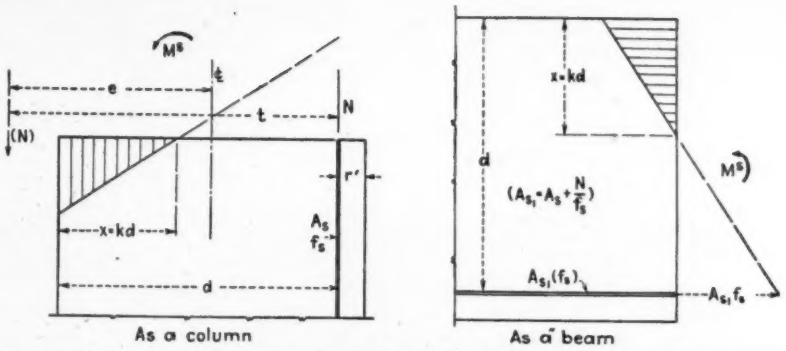


***Fig. 4. Design of an eccentrically loaded column with tension steel only, when the stresses are given and it is required to determine the steel area and the effective depth or thickness.***

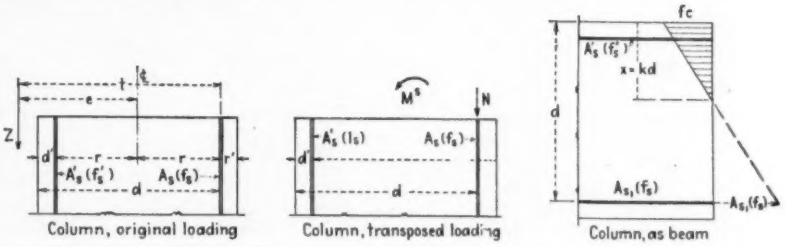


***Fig. 5. Steps in applying the beam-design method to a column with both compression and tension steel. Stresses are given, and steel areas and column thickness are desired.***

A moment equation around the compression steel gives

$$M_s = f_s A_s\,(d - d') + 1/2\, f_c bx\,(x/3 - d') \qquad (16)$$

so the tension steel in the beam becomes

$$A_{s1} = \frac{M_s + 1/2 f_c bx\,(x/3 - d')}{f_s\,(d - d')} \qquad (17)$$

A moment equation around the tension steel area gives

$$M_s = A'_s f'_s\,(d - d') + 1/2 f_c bx\,(d - x/3) \qquad (18)$$

so the compression steel area in the beam becomes

$$A'_s = \frac{M_s - 1/2 f_c bx\,(d - x/3)}{f'_s\,(d - d')} \qquad (19)$$

Therefore, the compression steel area in the column is $A_s'$ while the tension steel is

$$A_s = A_{s1} - N/f_s \qquad (20)$$

It is interesting to note that the load $N$ could also be moved to $A_s'$, in which case the moment is marked $M_s'$. It is evident that

$$M_s' = Nx\,(e - r)$$

In this case the "beam-design" method will give the tension steel area direct, while the compression steel area must be increased by $N/f_s'$.

As an example, when both tension and compression steel are used, assume a column 12 in. wide and 22 in. deep subjected to an eccentric load of 24,000 lb., applied 26 in. from the centerline. If $d' = 2$ in., and the allowable stresses are $f_c = 800$ psi. and $f_s = 20{,}000$ psi., and $n = 15$, find the reinforcing. This example is shown in Figs. 3 and 5. The minimum depth for tension steel only was found from the preceeding example to be 22.1 in. Therefore, the compression steel is required.

For the stresses given, $k = 0.375$, so $x = 0.375 \times 20 = 7.5$ in. Therefore, the compression steel stress becomes

$$f'_s = \frac{15 \times 800}{7.5}\,(7.5 - 2) = 8{,}800 \text{ psi.}$$

For the "beam-design" use $M_s = 24{,}000 \times 35 = 840{,}000$ in. lb. Therefore, the steel areas in the beam become:

$$A_{s1} = \frac{840{,}000 + 1/2 \times 800 \times 12 \times 7.5\,(2.5 - 2)}{20{,}000\,(20 - 2)}$$
$$= 2.384 \text{ sq. in}$$

and

$$A_s = \frac{840{,}000 - 1/2 \times 800 \times 12 \times 7.5\,(20 - 2.5)}{8{,}800\,(20 - 2)}$$
$$= 1.326 \text{ sq. in}$$

And finally the steel areas in the column are:

$A_s = 2.384 - 24{,}000/20{,}000 = 1.184$ sq. in. and $A_s' = 1.326$ sq. in.

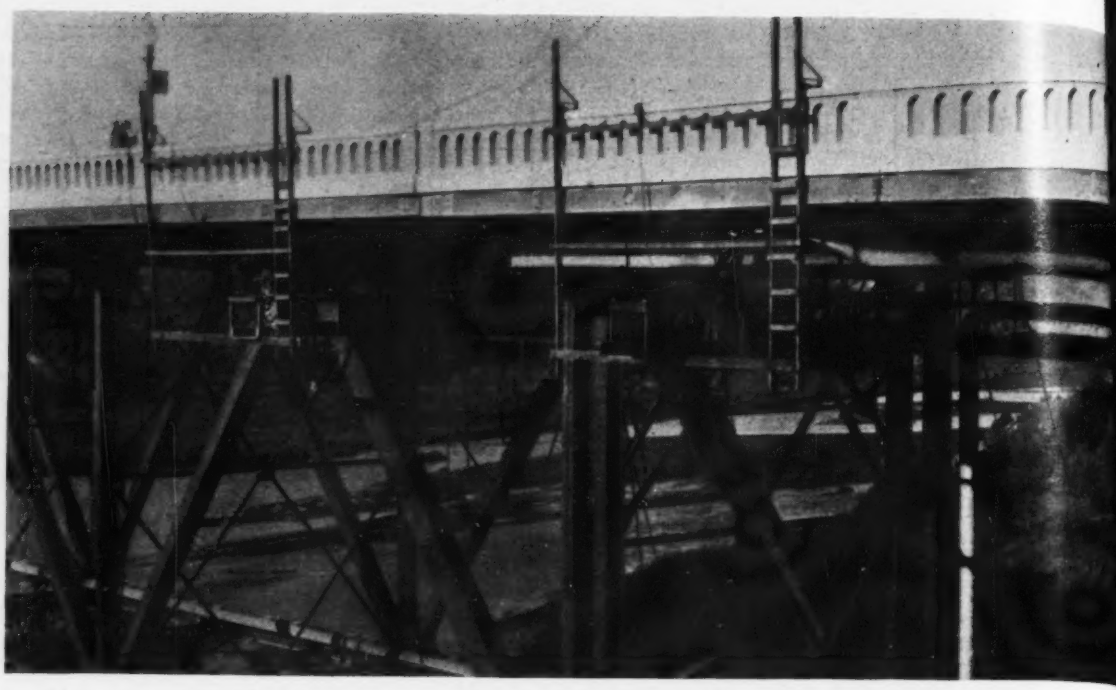

*Fig. 1. Typical form of scaffold where a suspension type of staging is required.*

# Bridge Paint Maintenance

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***Contents in Brief**—Specialists in a department that has been kept separate from other maintenance work since 1930, renew and maintain the paint on bridges of the California state highway system. Seasonal advantages in different localities are recognized, paint formulas are now well established, and teamwork has reduced field operations to a professional routine. Paint is applied by spray gun after steel has been sandblasted to bright metal.*

FOR TWELVE YEARS paint on bridges of the California highway system has been maintained and renewed by crews assigned to this work exclusively so that specialists could be developed. The crews move north or south to gain seasonal advantages and methods are adapted to different types of structures or to local conditions, but always the same standards and objectives are maintained. As a result, cleaning and painting operations have been reduced to a simple routine and many improvements in methods, equipment and materials have been developed.

The crew includes a bridge superintendent, a foreman, a timekeeper, two structural steel painters and seven skilled laborers, six of whom sandblast and paint. The seventh performs general work about camp such as mixing paint, repairing hose and spray guns and servicing compressors. This crew can work either as one or two separate units and is supplemented by unskilled laborers, hired locally, numbering six or more to provide watchmen, flagmen, and men for handling sand or staging.

When divided into two crews, No. 1 uses a relatively light portable outfit mounted on truck and trailer that moves daily to and from the work out of the nearest town or highway maintenance station, while No. 2, somewhat less mobile, is moved with hea truck and trailer units, and usual remains at the bridge site until t maintenance job is finished.

These crews, with such repla ments as have been necessary sin organization in 1930, have san blasted and painted 105 of the 4 steel structures on the California sta highway system. Expressed in oth terms, the work done has totalle 11,125,000 sq. ft. of sandblasted su face on which 7,450 tons of sand an 17,100 gal. of paint were used.

Painting programs are made u annually, and are based on the re ommendation of the bridge depar ment supported by the bridge super intendent's personal estimate of th work and materials required. Eac structure is considered a separat project for which estimates, allot ments and final report (with unit cos analysis) are made up. This gives collection of data useful for compar sons and checking.

ttention to seasonal variations is ortant because of the wide cli- c range within California's boun- es, and the resulting effect on ting costs. Bridges along the h coast are painted between June September, central valley struc- s between October and January south coast bridges between Feb- y and June.

### Sandblasting equipment

ndblasting is the most expensive in bridge painting and the effi- cy of the sand nozzle is of utmost ortance. Experience with a spe- ¼-in. metal core sandblast nozzle, wn in an accompanying illustra- has been particularly satisfac- . The orifice of this nozzle has wn an average increase of only in. after 100 hr. of service. A nozzle will use 1½ tons of sand n 8 hr. operation and when this unt is exceeded by 50 percent, nozzle is replaced. It has been nd desirable to check daily the ount of sand used in each sand- mber and the diameter of the zle orifice.

A recent improvement in the nozzle a shut-off valve at the tip. This es sand and permits the operator inspect the work or move staging thout shutting off at the sand amber. It also is a safety meas- e by eliminating the hazard of directed flying sand.

Sand for sandblasting is purchased a specially dried form packed in ks. Although this represents a st several times that of bulk sand, ultimate cost is much less than bulk sand had to be dried and reened on the job. Specifications quired that 95 to 100 percent of sand used pass a No. 20 sieve; t 0 to 20 percent pass a No. 30 ve; and that 100 percent will be tained on a No. 40 sieve.

The sand is loaded by laborers into pressure chamber whence two guns e served through a Y-connection on e outlet line. Cutoff valves are cated in each line just beyond the -connection and thus one tender at e sand chamber can control the w to two guns.

### Flexible connections save time

Flexible hose connections greatly educe the time of making and break- g connections to air lines from sand hambers that must be removed from e bridge deck for the safety of travellers at the close of each day's work. Similarly, flexible connections are particularly valuable in the lines laid on bascule structures. On this type of bridge, the 2-in. metal airline is stopped on either side of the hinge and a flexible connection across the hinge is made with rubber hose. Since many openings of the bascule do not require full lift, the flexible connection often makes it unnecessary to break hose connections and suspend painting operations. When full opening is required, the connectors simplify make-and-break operations.

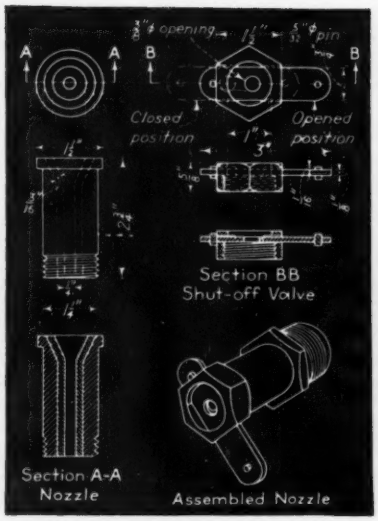


***Fig. 2. Details of improved sandblast nozzle with cut-off valve. The cut-off at the tip speeds the work materially.***

Oil-burning, dehydrating torches with nozzles of different types are sometimes used for applying heat to drive moisture from steel in advance of prime coat application. The dehydrating outfit is used chiefly along the coast in regions subjected to fogs.

Equipment for sandblasting and spray painting minor steel structures of less than 20,000 sq. ft. area and for painting major structures is given in Table III. In Table IV is listed equipment ordinarily used for sandblasting and spray painting major steel structures of more than 20,000 sq. ft. painted area.

The paint agitator, an extremely important item in the equipment, is an airdrill mechanism adapted to drive a shaft mounting a 6-in. propeller. The shaft extends through the cover of a standard paint container and its speed and direction of rotation can be regulated as desired. One of the agitators is shown in Fig. 6.

### Types of staging

Stagings or catwalks are of two types; those used above deck on truss-type bridges and those that are suspended below the floor system. Usual practice is to make the length of

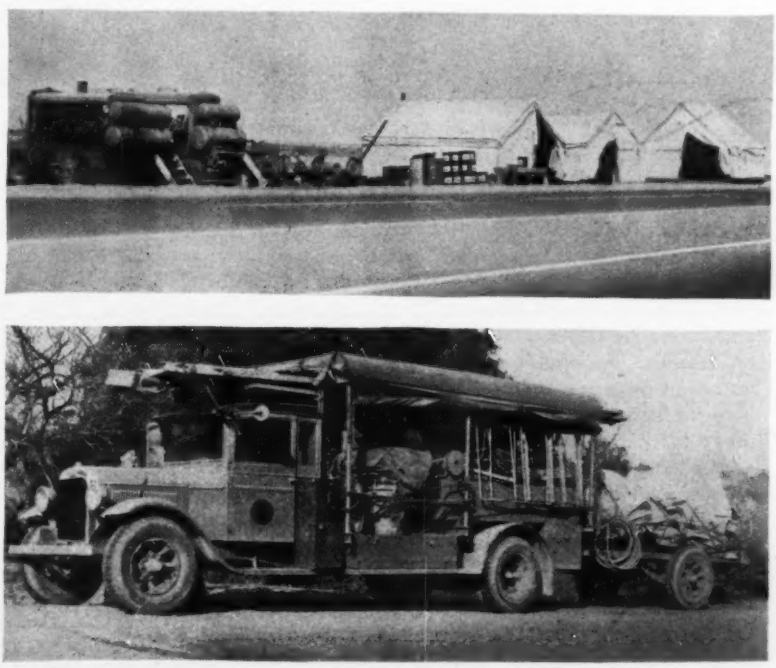

***Fig. 3. A camp used by the larger crews with heavy equipment is shown in the upper view. Below is the equipment for a more mobile unit, packed for transit.***

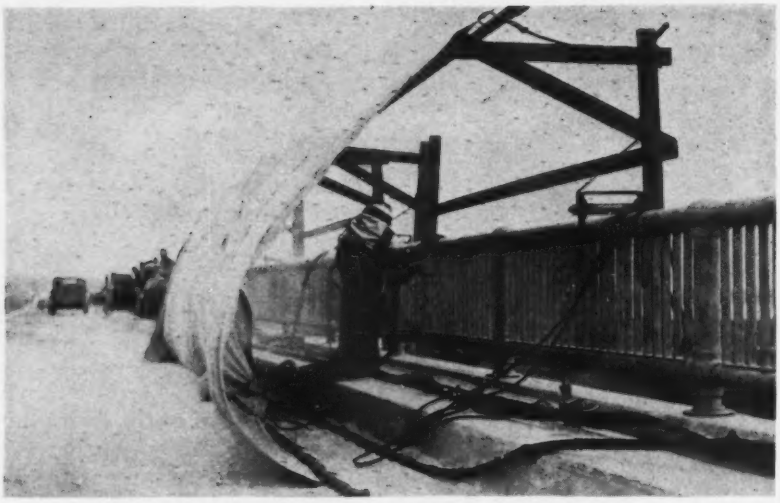

*Fig. 4. In sandblasting above deck, shields are set up to protect traffic from flying particles. Similar protection is provided against paint spray.*

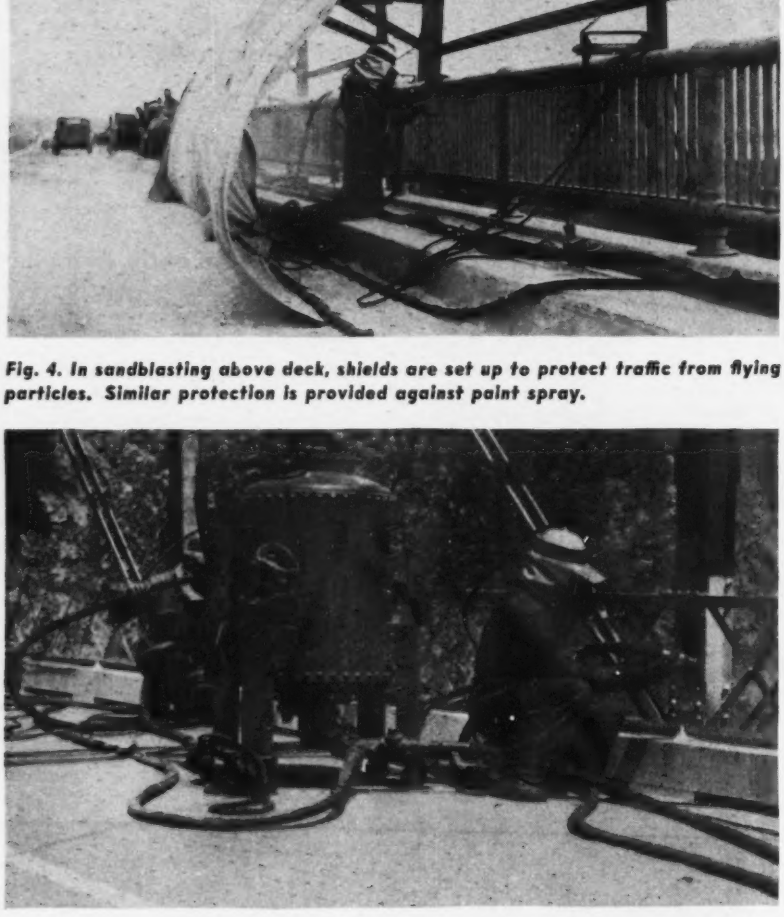

*Fig. 5. When it is necessary to have two operators work from one sandblast chamber, a Y-connection is inserted in the supply line below the chamber.*

staging for use above deck somewhat less than panel length in order to clear the plumb posts and sway bracing. Above decks they are usually slung by double sheaved block and tackle from panel points of the top laterals. Triangular hangers with an eye at the apex are recommended because the hook on the block is less likely to disengage from the eye of such a hanger.

Catwalks for use below the deck are preferably built longer than the deck width and for lengths up to 35 ft., 3x6-in. stringers have been found suitable. They are supported by needle beams slung by adjustable steel hangers or straps with holes that match, providing a 24-in. extension. The angle for hangers to rest on top of one of the bottom chord members is heavily reinforced to prevent risk of straightening under load. Above this reinforcing is a handle by which the hanger can be moved. If the catwalks are to be suspended from a pipe rail, the hanger is made of 2-in. pipe so that it can be readily rolled along the rail.

On bridges whose decks exceed 32 ft. in width, it has been found advantageous to swing an auxiliary catwalk from the I-beam stringers of the floor system as a support for one end of the main catwalk. Thus one end remains free to be moved along the auxiliary catwalk as desired. Where there is sufficient water under the bridge, the catwalks can be most easily floated into position and then raised to place by means of d sheave block and tackle.

### Specifications for paint

Paint specifications that demonstrated their suitabilit California conditions over a te period have now been sim down to the proportions and dients listed in Tables I and II leafed metallic lead paste refer in these tables consists of a mix of 90 percent flaked metallic plus or minus 9 percent mi spirits, and plus or minus 1 pe stearic acid. It is required to smooth consistency, free from and it must pass the following ness specification: maximum re on a 100-mesh screen, 2 per maximum retained on a 200 screen, 11 percent; maximum tained on a 325-mesh screen, 20 cent.

A good spray painter is ab coat 200 to 300 sq. ft. of surfa an hour as compared to the 100 sq. ft. that can be cleaned experienced sandblaster in the time. A factor in this differen rates is the requirement that the be sandblasted to bright metal than stopping at the bloom.

### A typical paint job

The day-to-day routine in typical paint job varies little bu setup of equipment and the sta sandblasting and cleaning opera involve many features that have simplified by long experience, illustrate the sequence that has developed, the following outlin work on an actual job is record

A bridge to be painted cro navigable waterway and has a length of 586 ft. including two t nion bascule lift spans, two con weight spans and two truss sp The work order calls for sandbla and applying primer and second paint to 68,000 sq. ft. of surface and a finish coat to the entire st ture of some 78,000 sq. ft.

Materials including lumber staging, tent and screen frames, and paint are requisitioned in vance by the superintendent hence are delivered to the job specified date. While equip unit No. 2 is being moved from last job, members of the crew their personal automobiles to the work and arrange for living quar

The first two days are spent setting the two compressors, laying the compressed air pipe line over bridge deck and building tents, walks and screens. In the pipe tees are installed every 20 ft. unions every 200 ft. to insure air very at convenient intervals and k replacement of leaky or dam- l pipe.

During this period the sandblast l and paint are stored, the com- sors are jacked up, leveled and on blocks to take their weight off pneumatic tires. Catwalks and ens are built on the job since it ot economical to haul this bulky ipment any great distance. On third day stagings are hung in top of the counterweight truss, sandblast chambers are moved to the bridge deck, sandblast s and air hoses for the opera- helmets are hauled up on the ing and actual work begins.

### Allocation of the crew

Two operators are supplied by each d chamber, and a skilled laborer tationed at each chamber to regu- the flow of sand and air. Two orers supply the chambers with sand that has been hauled out the deck with a ½-ton truck. After hr. of sandblasting, this operation stopped, as the rule is for all steel be primecoated the same day it is aned. While the painters are greas- their hands and faces preparatory to painting, the steel is cleaned of dust and sand and the catwalks are moved into position.

On completion of the paint crew's work for the day, the paint pots are removed from the deck, catwalks are lowered and moved some 3 panels ahead for the sandblasting operations that will begin on the day following. This is necessary as the sand and dust otherwise would mar the previous day's paint. Two night watchmen guard equipment and stores, screen the recovered sand, clean out mixing boxes in the sand chambers, wash the spray guns and set out and take in warning lanterns.

When sandblasting and painting progresses to within 8 ft. of the deck, screens are placed between operators and traffic. These are moved along with the work to prevent interruptions by traffic.

Second and finish coats are applied after a 72-hr. interval following the prime and second coat application. The number of painters and time of painting is expanded as conditions require.

Before sandblasting below deck,

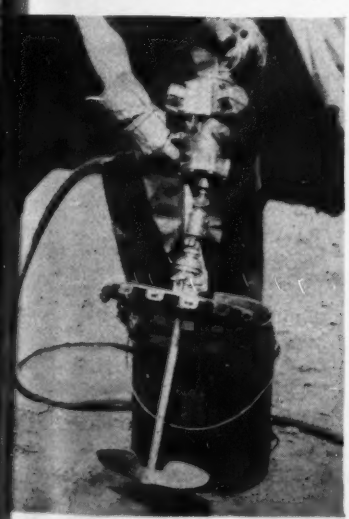

*Fig. 6. To agitate paint, the highway department shop mounted an air-drill mechanism on a 6-in. propeller. Speed of rotation can be adjusted as desired.*

**TABLE I—PROPORTIONS IN STEEL PAINT, FIRST AND SECOND COATS**

| | Red Lead Paste* (pounds) | Leafed Metallic Lead Paste (pounds) | Graphite (pounds) | Raw Linseed Oil (gallons) | Dryer (pints) | Mineral Spirits (pints) | Minimum Weight per gal. (pounds) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Special Primer Coat..... | 100 | 15 | .... | 2 | 1 | 1¼ | 27 |
| Modified Second Coat.... | 100 | 42 | 43 | 8 | 7 | 3 | 17½ |

* Contains 7 percent linseed oil.

**TABLE II—CONTENTS OF TWO DULL BLACK FINISH COATS IN PERCENTAGE BY WEIGHT**

| | Pigment | | | Vehicle | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total Pigment Percentage | Type B Graphite | Carbon Black | Total Vehicle Percentage | Raw Lin. seed Oil | Spar Varnish | Dryer | Turpentine | Minimum Weight per gal. (pounds) |
| 3-B Graphite..... | 45 | 95 | 5 | 55 | 75 | 10 | 5 | 10 | 10.5 |
| | | Type A Amorphous Graphite | | | | | | | |
| 3-C Graphite..... | 47 | 100 | .... | 53 | 75 | 10 | 5 | 10 | 10.7 |

**TABLE III—EQUIPMENT FOR MINOR STEEL STRUCTURE**

**(Less than 20,000 square feet)**

1 ½-ton truck with express body
1 3-ton truck with built-in lockers and canopy
1 210-cu. ft. (actual) air compressor on 3-ton truck
1 1-ton two-wheel trailer
1 7½-cu. ft. sand chamber
2 50 to 75-ft. lengths of ¾-in. sandblast hose
3 Sandblast operators' helmets
1 Compressed-air purifier
1 ¼-in. sandblast nozzle for each 5,000 sq. ft. of steel surface to be sandblasted (2 for two operators)
4 50-ft. lengths of ¾-in. oil-resistant air hose
3 10-gal. pressure paint tanks (six operators)
7 Spray-guns (1 extra for replacement)
12 Approved-type respirators
8 75-ft. lengths of ⅜-in. fluid paint hose
8 75-ft. lengths of ⅛-in. air paint hose with ¼-in. standard pipe-thread connections
Miscel. Also, 1-in. pipe for air as needed, staging suitable for the structure to be painted, miscellaneous small tools, rope falls, ladders, wrenches, scraping knives, paint brushes, etc.

**TABLE IV—EQUIPMENT FOR MAJOR STEEL STRUCTURES**

**(More than 20,000 square feet)**

1 ½-ton truck with express body
2 315-cu. ft. (actual) air compressors
2 7½-cu. ft. sand chambers
4 50 to 75-ft. lengths of ¾-in. sandblast hose
5 Sandblast operators' helmets
2 Compressed-air purifiers
1 ¼-in. sandblast nozzle for each 5,000-sq. ft. of steel surface to be sandblasted
4 50-ft. lengths of ¾-in. oil-resistant air hose
1 Air-driven power drill with drills
1 Riveting hammer
1 Rivet buster
2 50-ft. lengths of ½-in. oil-resistant air hose
1 Portable blacksmith forge with anvil and tools
1 Dehydrating outfit
3 10-gal. pressure paint tanks (six operators)
7 Spray-guns (1 spare)
12 Approved-type respirators
8 75-ft. lengths of ⅜-in. fluid paint hose
8 75-ft. lengths of ⅛-in. air paint hose
Miscel. Also, 2-in. pipe in 20-ft. lengths, with tees at each joint extending from set-up on shore to extreme end of bridge; staging suitable for the structure to be painted; miscellaneous small tools, rope falls, ladders, wrenches, etc.

where there may be areas that have had unusual protection, steel members are washed with a detergent followed by an application of clear water to show up any sound paint. Lacking steam, it is necessary to mix the detergent with water and apply through the sand chambers. The detergent ordinarily is composed of 47 percent sodium metasilicate, 40 percent sodium sesquisilicate, 10 percent sodium tetraphosphate and 3 percent nacconal. The detergent proved profitable because it disclosed considerable sound paint which had nearly been covered with grime and dirt. Thus replacement of the paint in these areas was unnecessary.

On this particular job, the paint crew put in a total of 60 working days. Cost per square foot of surface area for the various operations, including labor, materials, equipment and rental, as well as idle time in transportation, were as follows: sandblasting, 9.09c.; prime coat, 2.83c.; second coat, 2.32c.; finish coat, 2.83c.; total for these operations, 17.07c. Washing steel,

Average unit costs of ma were: $4.60 per to for sa sand, $2.65 per gall for re prime coat, $1.75 per gallo second coat graphite paint and per gallon for finish coat gr paint.

The paints gave a bright-ste erage per gallon as follows: coat, 370 sq. ft., second coa sq. ft., finish coat 450 sq. ft. of sand cleaned an average o sq. ft. of surface of bridge ste

# Physical Examinations Pay Dividends

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***Contents in Brief**—Pre-employment physical examination of prospective construction workers on a big ordnance plant in Indiana saved manpower by classifying employees according to physical qualifications, and helped first-aid and accident treatment because of available case histories.*

TO SAVE MANPOWER in the present emergency, to utilize partly-handicapped workmen, to classify such workers so as not to aggravate existing infirmities, and to help first-aid and accident treatment, the managing constructors for the Vigo Ordnance Plant in Indiana, adopted a program of pre-employment physical examination of all prospective employees. From the first, a sanitation and safety manager was employed to further this effort. His function was to provide a sanitary working environment and to coordinate medical and first-aid facilities with the safety program. The pre-employment examination was adopted to determine the physical condition of the men and to assure their placement in a position commensurate with that condition. Also, the examination was intended to facilitate a more intelligent treatment of cases in the first-aid stations and hospital.

The sanitation and safety manager worked out, in conjunction with the personnel division, a pre-employment physical examination that was acceptable to all concerned with the construction of this project. The factors to be considered in determining the type of examination to be used were: (1) the quality of men available, (2) an examination sufficiently thorough to eliminate unnecessary insurance risks, (3) the reaction of organized labor, (4) personnel and facilities available.

Often in the past, pre-employment physical examination has been used to determine physical defects present at the time of hiring, in order that the employee would not be able to claim injury that had happened previous to his employment. Where a physical impairment would not interfere with his duties, the employee was done an injustice by the employer's refusal to hire him and thus take the responsibility of aggravating an existing condition that would make the employer liable and increase his insurance rate. With this thought in mind, our company wished to go farther with the pre-employment physical examination and place men upon jobs where existing physical impairment would not be aggravated. All men with hernias were hired and placed on work suitable to their condition.

In order to avoid possible difficulties, a meeting of all bu agents was held with the chi personnel and sanitation and s manager present. At this time labor relation problems were cussed, the policy of the company set forth, and the pre-employ physical examination discussed first, there was considerable anta ism on the part of the business ag but after a discussion of what intended and the presentation o safety factor involved, these readily agreed to the proposal. Of entire group, only one trade ref to submit to the examination, and number of its men was negligibl

The physical examination ad tered consisted of: (1) a brief sonal history, (2) type of work man was to perform, (3) general pearance—healthy or otherwise, deformities noted, (5) check for cose veins, (6) hernia, (7) condi of applicant's spine, (8) conditio the heart, (9) pulse, (10) blood p sure, (11) vision, (12) hearin whisper test, (13) check on the cinations for smallpox and typh and date of these innoculations the conclusion of the examination doctor indicated that the man physically capable of doing the assigned or refused employment. percentage of refusals was less th percent of those examined.

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(4) possible heart ailment, (5)
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**Personal hygiene discussed**

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of employment; for example,
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Vigo Ordnance Plant it was rec-
ended that you consult a dentist
gard to your teeth. Please answer
questions on the attached card
return as soon as possible. Fail-
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card requested the following in-
ation: "Did you consult a den-
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plan to have this work done?"
rom July 1 to November 1, 1942,
7 employees were interviewed;
0 cards were mailed 30 days from
date of employment. Of the cards returned signed by the employee, his doctor, dentist, or both, the following results were obtained: 252 had teeth cleaned or extracted, 71 obtained new dental plates, and 29 are having their gums treated, 60 secured glasses, 3 had eye operations, and 13 had minor eye corrections. There was one tonsillectomy, 5 had tonsils treated, 2 had ears treated, and one case of acne is being treated. There was a total of 447 corrections, 18 cases where treatment was not deemed necessary by the attending physician, 120 cases where plans had been made for future corrections, 37 reported they were financially unable at the present time to have corrections made, 10 reported nothing whatsoever done, and 6 errors were made in mailing the cards.

At the beginning of the job men with existing hernias were not refused employment; however, after the job was underway it was decided that each hernia case should have a properly-fitted truss in order to continue work. Although we had 231 employees showing partial or complete hernias, none were rejected for this reason. Of these, 154 were properly fitted with trusses, and 77 had left the job prior to the time of the decision to require trusses.

**Followup found effective**

In order to complete the followup of the cases interviewed, it was necessary to contact all persons who did not reply to our card questionnaire. This was accomplished by a 5-min. interview with the men on the job. This method materially increased the number of corrections. The following results were obtained from the 115 interviewed for the second time: 43 cases had teeth extracted, treated or cleaned, and 7 obtained new dental plates, 24 made appointments for dental work. There were 7 cases of eye corrections with 4 securing glasses and one having an eye operation.

A brief summary of the results of this followup work reveals: (1) that when men are aware of physical defects which may decrease their earning capacity, they will very gladly cooperate in having same corrected; (2) if the proper approach is used in the the interview, it will assist in obtaining a satisfactory percentage of corrections, (3) cards mailed to the employees serve as a reminder of the personal interview and is a good means of obtaining results from the first interview, (4) in the second interview results were obtained that were never reported by mail, and many future appointments and corrections were made as a result, (5) it is the opinion of the writer that the average workman is a typical American and will not take time out from regular duties for his own physical welfare unless constantly reminded of the dangers and sacrifices that his family and himself will have to endure as a result of the condition that may be avoided by a simple correction. From the standpoint of the employer, the writer believes that service of this kind to employees will go far toward building a better employer-employee relationship, thereby increasing the amount and quality of work produced, as well as being a factor of safety in the performance of same.

It is very difficult to estimate the accidents that might have been caused on this job due to the 323 cases of men with bad teeth which probably caused much pain and disagreeable feeling during working hours. This irritability naturally takes precedence over work being done. Because 80 to 90 percent of all accidents are due to carelessness, elimination of this distraction is a great factor in the safety program.

**Favorable reactions**

A study of the employees' reaction to the interview reveals that a large majority of the employees felt that the company was doing them a real favor. The many statements of the men received by the interviewers revealed their appreciation. It is also the opinion of the writer that this type of personal contact with employees, besides paying dividends from an economical standpoint, will go far toward solving many of the labor differences that might arise between the employer and employee.

In conclusion, the writer wishes to express his sincere appreciation to the sanitation and safety manager, Harry Ockerman, for the coordination of this fine activity in his program and for the tactful approach used by Mary Maple and Foster Coyle of the sanitation and safety department, who interviewed the employees during the progress of this work. The writer sincerely believes that this type of service is economically sound for the small contractor as well as larger companies.

# From Field and Office

WORKING PROBLEMS AND TIME-SAVING METHODS FOR ENGINEERS AND CONTRAC

## How to Find Length of Pipe To Make a Reverse Bend

In piping detailing practice, the draftsman frequently meets the problem of determining the length of pipe required to make a reverse bend. The known factor in the problem depends upon practical considerations. Four variables, which are shown as $a$, $b$, $R$, and $\alpha$ in the accompanying drawing, are involved and any three of these may be given. The following formula give a relation between these four factors, making it possible to solve for the unknown factor when three are given.

Referring to the diagram:

$$b = 2T + c \qquad (1)$$

$$T = R \tan \frac{\alpha}{2} \qquad (2)$$

$$c = a \cot \alpha \qquad (3)$$

But $\cot \alpha = \dfrac{\cot^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} - 1}{2 \cot \frac{\alpha}{2}}$, therefore

$$c = \frac{a\left(\cot^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} - 1\right)}{2 \cot \frac{\alpha}{2}} \qquad (4)$$

Formula 1 may now be written as:

$$b = 2R \tan \frac{\alpha}{2} + \frac{a \cot^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} - a}{2 \cot \frac{\alpha}{2}}$$

If this formula is multiplied by 2 cot $\frac{\alpha}{2}$ and rearranged, it reduces to

$$a \cot^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} - 2b \cot \frac{\alpha}{2} + (4R - a) = 0 \qquad (5)$$

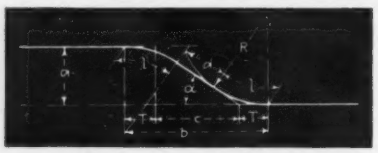
This formula gives the relation between $a$, $b$, $R$ and $\alpha$.

In order to solve for $a$, $b$, or $R$ when the corresponding three other terms are known, all that need be done is to substitute to obtain a simple equation in one unknown.

For example: if the conditions of the problem are $a$ equals 24, $b$ is 48 in. and angle $\alpha$ equals 30 deg., by substituting in Formula 5 the relationship is

$24 (\cot^2 15) - 96 (\cot 15) + 4R - 12 = 0$, from which $R = 12$.

Now, the length of the pipe may be obtained by means of standard formulas.



*Nomenclature for use of formulas to find length of pipe in a reverse bend.*

$$l = \frac{\pi R \alpha}{180} = \frac{\pi (12)\, 30}{180} = 6.28 \text{ in.}$$

$$d = \frac{\sin \alpha}{a} - 2T =$$

$$\frac{24}{\sin 30} - 2 (12) (\tan 15) = 41.57 \text{ in.}$$

Therefore, the total length of the pipe is

$$2 (6.28) + 41.57 = 54.13 \text{ in.}$$

Supposing, however, that $a$, $b$, and $R$ are fixed by conditions of the problem, then the method is to substitute in Equation 5 and solve an equation of the form $Ax^2 + Bx + C = 0$.

For example let $a = 24$ in.; $b = 48$ in., and $R = 12$ in.

Then $24 \cot^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} - 96 \cot \frac{\alpha}{2} + 24 = 0$ and $\cot \frac{\alpha}{2} = \frac{96 \pm \sqrt{96^2 - 4 (24) (24)}}{48} = 3.73$ or $.87$.

Since $\cot \frac{\alpha}{2} = 0.87$ is a spurious answer, as $\alpha$ cannot be greater than 90 deg. or $\frac{\alpha}{2}$ must be less than 45 deg., $\cot \frac{\alpha}{2}$ must equal 3.732, $\frac{\alpha}{2} = 15$ deg., and $\alpha = 30$ deg.

Proper use of Formula 5 will save the detailer and designer much valuable time in his work.—Samuel Levine, director, Manhattan Technical Institute, 55 W. 42nd St., New York City.

## Air Jets Prevent Clogging

Piping compressed air into cement storage bins at the cement mill or on the construction job will prevent and ensure steady flow in the discharge spouts or chutes. This conclusion is based on observation by the writer of practice at the Union Portland Cement Co. Formerly the company employed electric bin vibrators or hammering with a sledge to keep t charge from raw or finished m bins free and uniform. Introd of a jet of compressed air in bins was found to perform th better and more cheaply. In the air to the bin the air con should be conveniently located often it takes only a very little do the work and jet regulation be made easy.

While it is true his obser has been limited to the aeration cement, states Verland T. Her timekeeper, Union Portland C Co., Devil's Slide, Utah, the compressed-air jets should b pected to work as well to reduce ing and flushing in bins and ho of any other fine materials.— *pressed Air Institute, New N. Y.*

## Keeping Sprinkler Tank Riser From Freezing

A novel, yet practical, meth keeping an elevated water tank freezing in a cold climate has be service for over 15 years at C Canyon, Ariz., where it was not ible to use electrical or steam-he methods.

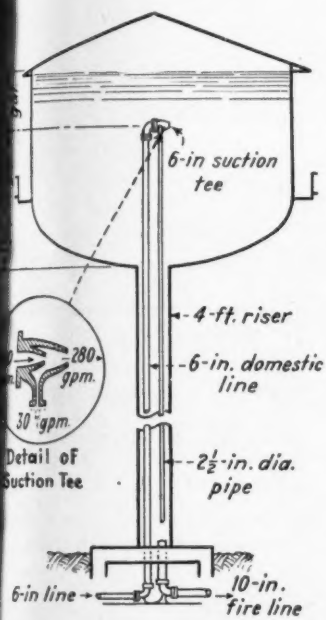
As reported in the January, issue of *The Water Tower*, b organ published by the Chi Bridge & Iron Co., the problem solved by installing a piping arra ment, shown in the accompan sketch, to circulate the water in riser. Credit for the arrangeme given to the Atchison, Topek Santa Fe Railway, to whom the belongs.

The filling line, which also s as the domestic service line, is in diameter. It extends up thr the riser into the tank and has a son and McDaniel suction mounted at the top. A 2½-in. extends from the suction tee to w a few feet from the bottom of riser.

The pumping rate through the inlet line is about 250 gpm.

city of the water in the tee, due he restricted orifice, develops a ion in the 2½-in. line of about gpm. This draws water from the r part of the riser, causing a sub- tial circulation throughout its en- length.

The effectiveness of this scheme is e out by the fact that this in- lation has gone through 15 win- without freezing, even though elevation of Grand Canyon is tively high and some very low peratures are encountered. It is orted that at one time a 2-in. kness of ice formed around the de of the riser but nevertheless the ulating system maintained a flow water through the center.




**rculating system used in the riser e of a water tank to prevent ezing difficulties.**

## cked Covers Used Protect Machines

Following damage to three gasoline gines due to meddling of small ys, the New York City Department Public Works has made two-man, k-on covers for its test boring rigs. s may be seen from the accompany- g photographs, the top and ends are one section, so that the cover does t have to be lifted more than a few ches to be set in place. The sides

***Engines and other equipment left unguarded on city streets at night may be protected by easily constructed covers.***

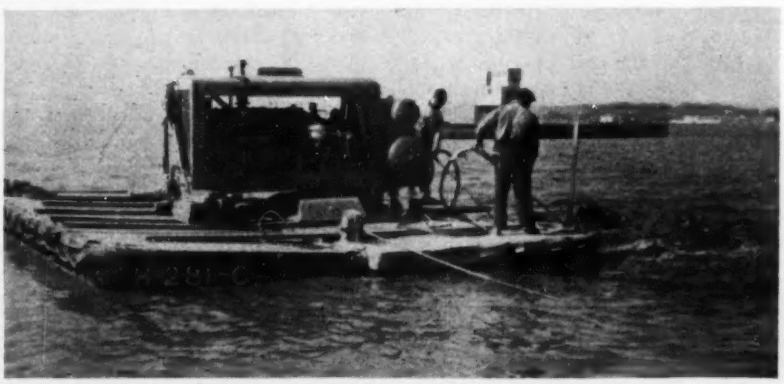
hang like storm sash. A bolt at the bottom of each end passes through holes in a pair of lugs welded to the skids of the drill rig; the bolt also passes through holes in lugs bolted to the bottom of each end of the cover, and through holes in the lower corner of each side. Each bolt is drawn just tight with a nut, and a padlock through a hole in the end of each bolt prevents removal of the nut.

The same type of cover might be used for other small contractor's equipment not provided with "boy-proof" coverings, and which must be left out on the streets at the present time, when watchmen are difficult to secure. The cover was designed and built to the writer's order under the direction of J. Frank Johnson, director of construction and operation, Williamsburg Bridge division of the public works department, of which Samuel Cooper, civil engineer, is in charge. The details were worked out by employees in charge of Joseph D'Amato, foreman carpenter.—H. D. HAMMOND, *civil engineer, Department of Public Works, New York City.*

## Air Jets Clean Submerged Channel

Air jets are successfully used at Martinez, Calif., to open up a channel scoured in the soft bottom of the bay by the flow from a drainage ditch entering the bay. At times wave action fills the underwater channel with silt and sand so that free flow from the drainage ditch is obstructed. To remove the clogging material a 215-cfm. air compressor is mounted on a barge as shown by the accompanying illustration.

A hose attached to the compressor leads to two long ¾-in. pipe nozzles. The barge is towed along the line of the natural channel while workmen thrust the pipe nozzle down into the clogging silt and sand and they are sufficiently loosened by the air jets that the current washes them away. This information comes from C. L. Seaman, Cleveland Rock Drill Co., Berkeley, Calif.—*Compressed Air Institute, New York, N. Y.*



***Barge mounted compressor and air jets are used to clean submerged channel.***

# Book Notes and Reviews

**The month's addition to the engineer's reading and reference list**

## About Paints

NATIONAL PAINT DICTIONARY—Second Edition. By Jeffrey R. Stewart. 224 pp. Stewart Research Laboratory, 1340 New York Ave., Washington, D. C. $7.50.

So many new paint vehicles and pigments have come into commercial use in recent years as to make standard technical dictionaries largely out of date with respect to terms now fairly common in paint specifications. Hence the usefulness of a special dictionary of this kind for those who purchase or use paints. Only those trade names are included that relate to raw materials; no attempt has been made to include trade marked names of prepared paints. Also contained in the book is information useful to those mixing or applying paint.

## Planning at New York

TRAFFIC AND PARKING STUDY—A Plan for Improvement of Conditions in the Central Business Areas of New York City. 144 pp. Regional Plan Association, 400 Madison Ave., New York. $4.50.

NEW YORK PLANS FOR THE FUTURE—By By Cleveland Rodgers. 293 pp. Harper & Bros., New York & London. $3.

Two notable studies of New York's municipal problems have been published since the year opened. One relates exclusively to the city's traffic and parking needs, the other also covers that subject in general terms but treats of it only as one of the many problems faced by the city's planning commission. Both books contain many general recommendations that will prove useful to the planning agency of any large city.

The "Traffic and Parking Study" of the Regional Plan Association was carried out under the direction of Harold M. Lewis with the objective of bringing together the scattered proposals of the many studies that have been made in the past so that definite proposals can be made, some of which have promise of being put into effect in the postwar period. The results of the study show that the traffic problem is largely one of administration. True, some construction is proposed, such as crosstown expressways, central bus terminals and parking garages, but these will not solve the traffic problem unless supported by strict enforcement of laws against unrestricted curb parking and misuse of the streets for loading purposes.

Cleveland Rodgers, former editor of the *Brooklyn Eagle*, in "New York Plans for the Future" appraises the city's future problems in the light of his experience as a member of the city's planning commission. Mr. Rodgers' background of newspaper work gives him a breadth of understanding of social and economic problems facing the city that is exceptional. This, coupled with ability to write well, makes his book well worth reading by anyone interested in the future of our large cities. Subjects covered in addition to the traffic problem are housing, land use, zoning, city government and the many economic questions that have an important bearing on sound city development.

## Work of the Army Engineers

THE ARMY ENGINEERS IN REVIEW—By Capt. Burr W. Leyson. 202 pp. E. P. Dutton & Co., New York. $2.50.

This well illustrated book was written for young men seeking information on the activities of the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army. The writing answers its purpose in a satisfactory manner and can be recommended as good reading for the youth wanting to learn of the Army engineers in both peacetime and war. The book makes available an interesting history of the U. S. Engineers, and describes the river and harbor work of the Corps, its railroad and general construction operations, demolition, map making and camouflage. Also described is the organization of the engineer troops, the work of the Waterways Experiment Station at Vicksburg, Miss., and the Engineer School at Ft. Belvoir, Va.

Older engineers, especially those familiar only with the duties of the Corps of Engineers in peacetime, will find the book worthwhile reading despite the fact that the author [illegible] in a style designed to meet the [illegible] of younger readers.

## Labor Relations

THE LABOR RELATIONS ACT IN THE [illegible]—By Herbert O. Eby. 350 pp. Harper Bros., New York. $3.50.

Contractors will find this [illegible] of court decisions with respect [illegible] National Labor Relations Act a[illegible] ful book for determining their r[illegible] and those of their employees [illegible] that act. Every important case [illegible] has been decided by the courts [illegible] the act was declared valid in 19[illegible] reviewed as to its general signific[illegible] Also included is essential inform[illegible] as to the background of these [illegible] Laymen using the book will be he[illegible] by the fact that the text is not [illegible] dened with legal phraseology, [illegible] footnotes and a concise syste[illegible] references give the lawyer the [illegible] mation he needs to locate the [illegible] text of the decisions that are [illegible] cussed.

## New Engineering Books

THE ARMY ENGINEERS IN REVIEW—By [illegible] Burr W. Leyson. 202 pp. E. P. Dutt[illegible] Co., New York. $2.50.

FOREMANSHIP AND SAFETY—By C. M. [illegible] Millan. 101 pp. John Wiley & Sons, [illegible] New York. $1.

AIR CONDITIONING ANALYSIS—By W[illegible] Goodman. 455 pp. The MacMillan [illegible] New York. $6.

ENGINEERING MECHANICS—By Glen X. [illegible] 301 pp. D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., [illegible] York. $3.

IV CONGRESS PAN AMERICANO DE [illegible] RETERAS—Published in three volu[illegible] 2186 pp. Cuarto Congreso Panameri[illegible] De Carreteras, Mexico City, Mexico.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING STUDY—A plan [illegible] Improvement of Conditions in the Cen[illegible] Business Area of New York City. 144 [illegible] Regional Plan Association, Inc., [illegible] Madison Ave., New York. $4.50.

PHOTOGRAMMETRY—By H. O. Sharp. [illegible] pp. John Wiley & Sons, New Y[illegible] Chapman and Hall, London. $3.50.

PLUMBING PRACTICE AND DESIGN—Volum[illegible] By Svend Plum. 308 pp. John Wile[illegible] Sons, New York; Chapman and H[illegible] London. $4.50.

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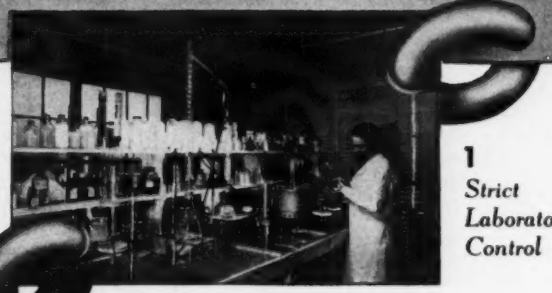

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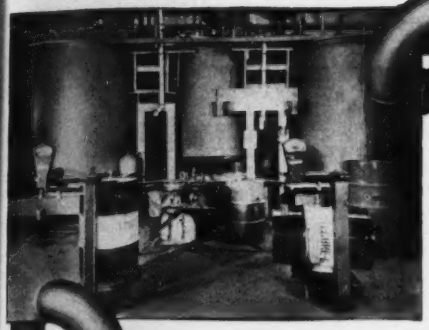

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# MATERIALS AND LABOR PRICES

***Market quotations on construction materials and wage rates reported monthly by ENR correspondents***

PAVING asphalt price changes resulting from revised ceiling schedules set by the OPA provided the most important price movement in the construction material list in March. Chicago paving asphalt tank car price is 80c. per ton lower, but increases are reported in Dallas, Los Angeles, New York and Philadelphia.

Reinforcing bar price climbed 35c. per 100-lb. in St. Louis for the only iron and steel products change, and reinforced concrete sewer pipe is higher there. Vitrified sewer pipe is lower on all *ENR* quoted sizes in New York.

Southern pine lumber is down $2.25 to $10.00 in Philadelphia, and Douglas fir which formerly ranged from $65 to $69, is now quoted at $65 per M. Pine is 50c. to $1.00 higher on all sizes in St. Louis. Lime is up in Philadelphia.

Skilled construction labor rates are unchanged from the preceding month. Common labor hourly average rate increased from $0.832 in February to $0.842 in March as a result of the higher Kansas City rate for heavy construction labor.

## CEMENT, AGGREGATES, READY-MIXED CONCRETE—F.O.B. CITY

| | PORTLAND CEMENT: Per bbl., carload lots, including 40c per bbl. for bags, cash discount not deducted | | | SAND AND GRAVEL: Per ton, carload lots | | | CRUSHED STONE: Per ton, carload lots | | CRUSHED SLAG: Per ton, carload lots, f.o.b. plant | | CONCRETE: Ready Mixed 1:2:4, 50 cy. or more, del. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Cloth Bags a | Paper Bags | Bulk | Gravel, 1½ in. | Gravel, ¾ in. | Sand | 1½ in. | ¾ in. | 1½ in. | ¾ in. | |
| Atlanta | $2.77 | $2.52 | $2.47 | $1.79 | $1.89 | $1.99 | $1.79 | $1.89 | $1.59 | $1.69 | $8.00 |
| Baltimore | 2.33 | 2.08 | 1.88 | 1.75‡ | 1.75‡ | 1.25‡ | 1.75‡ | 1.75‡ | 1.75‡ | 1.75‡ | 7.25 |
| Birmingham | 2.50 | 2.25 | 2.10 | 1.75 | 1.75 | 1.50 | .85 | 1.00 | .90 | 1.15 | 5.80 |
| Boston | 2.75b | 2.40b | 2.30 | 1.40‡ | 1.40‡ | 1.00‡ | 1.40‡ | 1.40‡ | .... | .... | 7.25c |
| Chicago | 2.70 | 2.45 | 2.30 | 2.15‡d | 2.15‡d | 2.15‡d | 2.15‡d | 2.15‡d | 1.75‡ | 1.75‡ | .... |
| Cincinnati | 2.31 | 2.06 | 1.81 | 1.20 | 1.20 | 1.10 | 1.80 | 1.80 | .... | .... | 6.60 |
| Cleveland | 2.40 | 2.15 | .... | 1.70i | 1.70i | 1.60i | 1.70i | 1.70i | 1.75i | 1.75i | 7.30i |
| Dallas | 2.52 | 2.27 | 2.07 | 1.50p | 1.70p | 1.10p | 1.69p | 1.79p | .... | .... | 6.20 |
| Denver | 3.08 | 2.88 | 2.68 | 1.20 | 1.40 | 1.25 | 1.65 | 1.75 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 7.25 |
| Detroit | 2.40 | 2.15 | 2.00 | 1.40 | 1.40 | 1.20 | 1.63 | 2.00 | 2.20‡ | 2.45‡ | 6.50 |
| Kansas City | 2.58 | 2.33 | 2.18 | 1.85 | 2.30 | 1.00 | 1.91 | 1.91 | .... | .... | 7.50 |
| Los Angeles | 2.80v | 2.20v | .... | 1.30 | 1.30 | 1.15 | 1.30f | 1.30f | .... | .... | 7.25 |
| Minneapolis | 2.90 | 2.65 | .... | 1.00k | 1.00k | .25k | 1.00k | 1.00k | .... | .... | 7.60 |
| Montreal | .... | 1.95rs | 1.79rs | .... | .... | 1.30‡t | 1.20‡ct | 1.30‡ct | .... | .... | 7.90u |
| New Orleans | 2.41 | 2.16 | 1.96 | 1.65 | 1.65 | .90 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 9.25 |
| New York | 2.66‡ | 2.41‡ | .... | 1.60de | 1.60de | .90de | 1.70de | 1.80de | .... | .... | 7.25t |
| Philadelphia | 2.33 | 2.08 | 1.88 | 1.55‡ | 1.65‡ | 1.20‡ | 1.90 | 1.95 | 1.10 | 1.10 | 8.20 |
| Pittsburgh | 2.44 | 2.19 | 1.99 | 1.40‡ | 1.40‡ | 1.70‡ | 2.25‡ | 2.25‡ | 1.50 | 1.50 | 8.25 |
| St. Louis | 2.80 | 2.52 | .... | 1.75‡ | 1.50‡ | 1.25/1.50‡ | 1.10k | 1.10k | .75gw | .75gw | 8.00 |
| San Francisco | ....w | 2.22 | 1.92 | 1.36 | 1.36 | 1.36 | 1.46 | 1.46 | .... | .... | 7.55 |
| Seattle | 2.95o | 2.75o | .... | 1.00o | 1.00o | 1.00o | 2.00o | 2.00o | .... | .... | 7.25 |

‡ Delivered. *a* 10c. allowed for each returnable bag. *b* 10c. per bbl. off for cash. *c* Plus municipal tax. *d* Per cu. yd. *e* Barge lots alongside docks. *f* Crushed granite. *g* F.o.b. Granite City, Ill. *h* F.o.b. plant. *i* Within three miles of Public Square. *j* 5% discount for cash. *k* Discount of 25c per. c. y. for cash in 10 days. *l* Up to 200 cu. yd. *m* 50c. off for cash *n* 25 c.y. or o 2% off for cash. *p* 10c. per ton off, cash 15 days. *r* 10c. per bbl. off, ca days. *s* 8% sales tax included. *t* 8% sales tax not included. *u* Price drawn. *v* 20c. per bbl. discount; 20c. allowed for returnable cloth bag. *w* No

CASH DISCOUNTS CEMENT to Contractors: truck delivery, 2% for cash on 10th of month; on carload deliveries, no trucking, same as dealer cash d 10c. per bbl. for payment within 15 days of date of invoice. Subject discount 10c. per bbl. 20 days in Montreal.

### CURRENT MAXIMUM PRICES RECEIVED AT CEMENT MILL

Charge for bags not included. For cloth bags, add 40c. per bbl.; 10c. refund allowed for each returnable bag; for paper bags add 15c. per bbl., not refund

| | Bagged | Bulk | | Bagged | Bulk | | Bagged |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Buffington, Ind | $1.70 | $1.65 | Ironton, Ohio | $1.60 | $1.55 | Richard City, Tenn | $1.80 |
| Dallas, Tex. (Inc. 10c. tax) | 1.85 | 1.80 | Limedale, Ind | 1.70 | 1.65 | Steelton, Minn | 1.80 |
| Hannibal, Mo | 1.70 | 1.65 | Norfolk, Va | 1.75 | 1.70 | Universal, Pa | 1.65 |
| Hudson, N. Y | 1.75 | 1.70 | Northampton, Pa | 1.55 | 1.50 | Waco, Tex. (Plus 10c. tax in Tex.) | 1.75 |
| Independence, Kans | 1.70 | 1.65 | North Birmingham, Ala | 1.70 | 1.65 | Montreal (8% sales tax incl.) | 1.68 |

## PAVING BRICK, BLOCKS, ASPHALT, ROAD OILS—F.O.B. CITY

| | PAVING BRICKS AND BLOCKS: Granite per M. lots of 50,000 4x4x8 in. | Brick per M. 3x4x8½ in. carload lots | Wood per sq. yd. 3½ n. 16-lb. treat | PAVING ASPHALT: Per ton, less than 80 penetration: Tank car | Drums | ASPHALT BINDERS—FLUXES: Per gal., 80-300 penetration: Tank car | Drums | CUTBACK ASPHALT: Per ton: Tank car | Drums | ROAD OILS: Per gal.: Tank car | ASPHALT EMULSION (Quick-breaking): Per gal.: Tank car | Drums |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Atlanta | $73.00 | $39.35 | $2.25 | $18.40e | $24.62e | $0.0787e | $0.1309e | $0.0876he | $0.1348h | $0.0676e | $0.0826 | $0.1 |
| Baltimore | 150.00‡ | 48.00‡ | 80.00m | 15.00r | 21.00r | .06r | .09r | 13.00r | 23.00r | .065r | .07r | .1 |
| Birmingham | ..... | 32.00j | .... | 17.95 | .....† | .0747 | .....† | .0834h | .....† | .065 | .09 | .... |
| Boston | 85.00 | 55.00 | 3.75 | 14.20 | 20.00 | .06 | .09 | .065h | .115h | .065 | .09‡ | .12 |
| Chicago | 150.00 | 55.00 | 1.80/2.00d | 14.00 | 20.70 | 13.00g | 18.50g | .0575h | .15h | .05n | .09/.10 | .13/.15 |
| Cincinnati | 112.00 | 37.50 | .... | 16.40 | ..... | .085 | ..... | 12.25 | ..... | .07 | .085 | .... |
| Cleveland | 118.00 | 37.50 | 2.25 | 19.00 | 20.00 | .09 | .105 | .10h | .15 | .08 | .085 | .09 |
| Dallas | ..... | 36.00 | .... | 13.65 | 20.30 | .06 | .11 | 16.00 | 24.80 | .06 | .05/.07 | .07/.0 |
| Denver | ..... | 27.50 | .... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .... |
| Detroit | ..... | 37.50 | .... | 15.10/ | 22.60/ | .0725 | .1262 | 15.10 | 21.10 | .067 | .0725 | .120 |
| Kansas City | ..... | 40.00 | .... | 18.50 | 23.50 | .077 | .1075 | .077h | .107h | .057 | .11 | .15 |
| Los Angeles | ..... | 50.00 | .... | 9.00b | 23.00 | 9.50bg | 24.00bg | 9.50b | ..... | .025 | .072 | .15 |
| Minneapolis | ..... | ..... | 2.30d | ..... | 27.70 | ..... | .126 | ..... | 32.64 | ..... | ..... | .... |
| Montreal | ..... | ..... | .... | 16.60k | 24.25k | .116k | .1485k | .115hk | .135hk | .08k | .135k | .180 |
| New Orleans | ..... | ..... | .... | 13.00n | 19.00n | .055 | .085 | .06h | .09h | ..... | .078 | .... |
| New York | ..... | 70.00 | .... | 17.40 | 24.20p | 14.00 | ..... | .0725h | .1325hp | ..... | .0725p | .122 |
| Philadelphia | 130.00 | 58.00 | 4.06 | 15.00 | ..... | 14.00 | ..... | .065h | ..... | ..... | 14.00g | .... |
| Pittsburgh | 135.00 | 38.75 | .... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .... |
| St. Louis | ..... | 37.00 | .... | 15.00n | 21.00n | 14.00gn | 20.00gn | .065hn | .11hn | .05n | .09n | .812 |
| San Francisco | ..... | 70.00 | .... | 9.50 | 18.00 | 9.50gr | 18.00gr | 10.00 | 17.50r | 9.50g | .0525 | .115 |
| Seattle | ..... | 60.00c | .... | 9.50i | 18.00i | ..... | 19.00gi | 10.00i | ..... | 9.50i | .0525i | .063 |

‡ Delivered. *a* F.o.b. Baton Rouge. *b* Delivered to purchaser's warehouse. *c* 3½x4x8½ in. *d* 2½ in. 12-lb. treatment. *e* Local reduction due to 20% reduction intra-state class freight rates, only Georgia affected. *f* Mexican. *g* Per ton. *h* Per gallon. *i* F.o.b. Martinez. *j* 3x3½x8½ in. *k* Tax included. *m* Per th and. † Available on priority only and quoted specially. *n* September 1942 p none later available. *p* No steel drum shipments except to armed forces. *r* February, 1943 prices, none later available

## IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS—BASE MILL PRICES

| | STRUCT. SHAPES-PLATE | REINF. BARS ¼-in. billet *b* | RIVETS ½-in. structural | WIRE NAILS Base *d* | SHEET PILING Base | STEEL RAILS Per Gross Ton Standard | Light | Re-rolled | TRACK SUPPLIES Angle Bars | Std. Spikes *e* | Tie Plates *e* | Track Bolts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ...ingham..... | $2.10 | $2.15 | $3.75 | $2.55 | ..... | $40.00 | $40.00 | $39.00 | $2.70 | $3.00 | $2.15 | $4.75 |
| ...go..... | 2.10 | 2.15 | 3.75 | 2.55 | $2.40 | 40.00 | 40.00 | 39.00 | 2.70 | 3.00 | 2.15 | 4.75 |
| ...urgh..... | 2.10 | 2.15 | 3.75 | 2.55 | 2.40 | 40.00 | 40.00 | 39.00 | 2.70 | 3.00 | 2.15 | 4.75 |
| ...o..... | 2.10 | 2.15 | ..... | ..... | 2.40 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2.15 | ..... |
| ...and..... | 2.10 | 2.15 | 3.75 | 2.55 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| ...stown..... | ..... | 2.15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3.00 | ..... | ..... |
| ...it..... | ..... | 2.27‡ | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| ...orts..... | 2.47*a* | 2.52*a* | ..... | ..... | 2.85*a* | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| ...e ports..... | 2.75*a* | 2.80*a* | ..... | ..... | 2.95*a* | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2.30 | ..... |

‡ Delivered. *a* F.o.b. cars dock. *b* Rail steel same as billet prices. *c* Other points include Portsmouth, O., Weirton, W. Va., St. Louis, Kansas City, Minnequa, Colo., and Pacific coast ports, on tie plates, alone, Steelton, Pa., on spikes alone, Lebanon, Pa., Richmond, Va. *d* Add switching charge $18 per c.l.

## IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS—F.O.B. WAREHOUSE, PER 100 LB., BASE PRICE

| | STRUCTURAL SHAPES Per 100 lb. base price | REINFORCING BARS* Per 100 lb., ¼ in., base price 15 tons or over *b* New billet | Rail steel | Add Switch | $/cwt. for Del. | EXPANDED METAL LATH Per 100 sq.yd., carload lots Std. diamond mesh, 3.4 lb. | Std. ribbed 3.4 lb. | WELDED FABRIC REINFORCING Per 100 s.f., carload lots 4x16 in., No. 5 & 10 wires | 4x12 in., No. 8 & 12 wires | 6x6 in. No. 6 & 6 wires Per sq. yd. | SHEET PILING Per 100 lb. base price |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ...ta..... | $2.34 | $2.39 | $2.39 | $.02½ | $.10 | $21.06 | $23.00 | $1.82 | $1.35 | $0.1719 | $3.04 |
| ...more..... | 3.70 | 2.90 | 2.75 | ..... | .10 | 22.50 | 24.50 | 1.70 | 1.27 | .1611 | 3.00 |
| ...ingham..... | 2.10*a* | 2.15 | 2.15 | .02½ | .10 | 19.00 | 21.00 | 1.80 | 1.34 | .1701 | .... |
| ...on..... | 3.85 | 3.51 | 3.36 | $20 C.L. | .10 | 18.50 | 29.50 | 1.76 | 1.31 | .1656 | 2.70 |
| ...go..... | 2.10*a* | 2.15 | 2.15 | .03 | .05 | 21.50 | 23.50 | 1.67 | 1.25 | .1575 | 2.40 |
| ...nnati..... | 3.68 | 2.53*cd* | 2.53*cd* | ..... | .05 | 19.50 | 21.50 | 1.66 | 1.25 | .1566 | .... |
| ...land..... | 2.10*a* | 2.15 | 2.15 | .02½ | .10 | 19.50 | 21.50 | 1.66 | 1.25 | .1566 | .... |
| ...s..... | 4.25 | 3.17 | 3.17 | ..... | ..... | 25.00 | 27.50 | 1.93 | 1.42 | .1827 | .... |
| ...er..... | 4.35 | 3.95 | 3.85 | ..... | ..... | 26.50 | 28.50 | 1.97 | 1.45 | .186 | .... |
| ...it..... | 3.65‡ | 2.52‡ | 2.52‡ | ..... | .10 | 25.00 | 28.00 | 1.68 | 1.26 | .1584 | 2.66 |
| ...as City..... | 4.00 | 2.64*cd* | 2.64*cd* | .0 | .05 | 19.60 | 23.60 | 1.78 | 1.33 | .1683 | 2.89 |
| ...Angeles..... | 3.65*f* | 2.575 | 2.425 | .02½ | .05 | 23.00 | 27.50 | 1.93 | 1.42 | .1827 | 3.65 |
| ...eapolis..... | 3.80‡ | 2.75 | 2.75 | .0 | .10 | 25.00 | 27.00 | 1.80 | 1.34 | .1701 | 2.75*d* |
| ...treal..... | 4.00*i* | 2.90*i* | 2.80*i* | ..... | ..... | 26.00*hij* | 33.00*hij* | 2.56*i* | 3.14*i* | .268*i* | .... |
| ...Orleans..... | 4.40 | 2.52 | 2.52 | .05 | .10 | 21.50 | 23.50 | 1.82 | 1.35 | .1715 | 2.875 |
| ...York..... | 3.75 | 2.76*c* | 2.76*c* | ..... | .15 | 17.50 | 19.50 | 1.76 | 1.32 | .1665 | 2.74 |
| ...adelphia..... | 3.65 | 3.85 | .... | ..... | ..... | 19.50 | 21.50 | 1.71 | 1.28 | .1611 | 2.74 |
| ...burgh..... | 2.10*a* | 2.15 | 2.15 | .02½ | .10 | 23.00 | 26.50 | 1.59 | 1.20 | .1503 | 2.40 |
| ...Louis..... | 3.69 | 2.7575 | 2.7575 | .0 | .05 | 28.00 | 34.00 | 1.69 | 1.27 | .1602 | 2.70 |
| ...Francisco.... | 4.35 | 2.825 | ..... | .02½ | .10 | 21.00 | 24.50 | 1.93 | 1.42 | .1827 | 3.85 |
| ...tle..... | 2.75*e* | 2.50*e* | ..... | ..... | ..... | 34.50 | 38.50 | 1.93 | 1.42 | .1827 | 2.95*ij* |

‡ Delivered. *a* Mill prices. *b* 5–15 tons, add 15c. 1–5 tons, add 25c. Less than 1 ton, add 50c. *c* 20 tons or over Base. *d* Mill price plus freight. *e* F.o.b. ...t. *f* Includes delivery in free delivery zone. *g* Less than 1 ton, add 25c.; 1 to 5 tons, add 10c. * High scrap steel prices cut former 15c. differences between new ... and rail steel in many mills. *h* List price. *i* Plus Dominion and Province sales tax. *j* August 1942 price; not on market.

## PLUMBING, HEATING, WATER, SEWER AND DRAIN PIPE

| | C. I. PIPE Per net ton f.o.b. 6 in. to 24 in.*a* | VITRIFIED SEWER PIPE Per foot, std. 8 in., s.s. | delivered std. 12 in., s.s. | ASTM 24 in., | C13–35 36 in., | CLAY DRAIN TILE Per 1,000 ft., carload lots, f.o.b. 6 in. | 8 in. | CONCRETE SEWER PIPE Per ft., delivered; ASTM 12 in. | C 14–35 24 in. | WROUGHT STEEL PIPE Full standard weight, *k* 1 to 3 in., Butt Weld 3½ to 6 in.; Lap Weld Black % | Galv. % | Black % | Galv. % |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ...nta..... | $49.66 | $0.26*b* | $0.468*bc* | $1.8525 | $4.68*c* | $85.00 | $128.00 | $0.45 | $1.642 | 48.2 | 54.2 | 59.7 | 51.2 |
| ...imore..... | 53.00 | .35 | .60 | 2.65 | 7.25 | 160.00 | 200.00 | .50 | 1.75 | 65.5 | 57.5 | 63.0 | 54.5 |
| ...ingham..... | 45.00 | .275 | .495 | 1.95 | 5.50 | 100.00 | 220.00 | .50 | 1.70 | 62.2 | 54.2 | 59.7 | 51.2 |
| ...on..... | 55.40 | .26 | .463 | 2.07 | 5.85 | 140.00 | ..... | .60 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| ...ago..... | 54.33 | .35 | .675 | 2.70 | 7.00 | 100.00‡ | 150.00‡ | .45 | 1.85 | 66.0 | 55.0 | 64.5 | 53.0 |
| ...cinnati..... | 53.27 | .231 | .4455 | 1.80 | 5.125 | 105.00 | 170.00 | .60 | 1.70 | 57.1 | 43.4 | 54.0 | 39.6 |
| ...eland..... | 54.75 | .224 | .432 | 1.80 | 5.125 | 81.00 | 125.00 | .30 | 1.60 | 67.8 | 59.8 | 65.3 | 56.8 |
| ...as..... | 56.43 | .31 | .58 | 2.25 | 5.00 | 90.00 | 110.00 | .46 | 1.57 | 59.9 | 51.9 | 57.3 | 48.3 |
| ...ver..... | 61.56 | .29† | .52† | 2.16† | .... | 130.00 | 240.00 | .50 | 1.50 | 58.4 | 50.4 | 55.7 | 47.2 |
| ...roit..... | 54.75 | .245 | .4725 | 1.935 | 5.14 | 82.50 | 131.25 | .35 | 1.50 | 57.7 | 44.0 | 54.8 | 40.6 |
| ...as City..... | 55.73 | .315 | .39 | 2.20 | 5.86 | 140.00 | 260.00 | .45 | 1.60 | 35.8 | 46.3 | 46.0 | 59.7 |
| ...Angeles..... | 68.40 | .282† | .508† | 2.034† | 5.085† | 115.50 | 192.50 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 59.6 | 51.6 | 57.0 | 48.6 |
| ...neapolis..... | 59.00 | .275† | .495† | 1.98† | 5.14† | ..... | ..... | .90 | 2.10 | 64.0 | 53.0 | 60.5 | 49.0 |
| ...ntreal..... | 60.00 | .85 | 1.50 | 5.25 | 8.50*e* | 45.00*m* | 64.00*m* | .48*m*† | 1.92*m*† | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| ...Orleans..... | 51.78 | .26 | .48 | 1.69 | ..... | 150.00 | 220.00 | .40 | 2.10 | 62.4 | 54.4 | 58.8 | 50.3 |
| ...York..... | 52.40 | .364 | .702 | 2.565 | 6.355 | ..... | ..... | .60 | 1.40 | 64.7 | 53.7 | 62.2 | 50.7 |
| ...adelphia..... | 51.00 | .28 | .54 | 2.30 | 6.75 | 150.00 | 225.00 | .45 | 1.75 | 56.4 | 42.6 | 53.3 | 38.9 |
| ...burgh..... | 56.00 | .245† | .4725† | 1.845† | 5.4325 | 97.80 | 154.20 | .85*g* | 2.00*g* | 68.5*i* | 57.5*i* | 66.0*i* | 54.5*i* |
| ...Louis..... | 52.84 | .28 | .504 | 2.016 | 4.50 | 85.00 | 220.00 | 1.00*j* | 2.15*k* | 56.4 | 42.6 | 52.5 | 38.1 |
| ...Francisco.... | 68.40 | .3625*d* | .6525*d* | 2.61 | 6.52 | 115.50 | 192.50 | .58 | 2.34 | 46.0 | 32.0 | 42.0 | 27.0 |
| ...ttle ..... | 70.20 | .375 | .675 | 2.70 | 6.75 | 84.00 | 187.50 | .51*f* | 1.44*f* | .... | .... | .... | .... |

‡ Delivered. † F.o.b. *a* B. & S. class B and heavier, C/L lots, 200 tons and ...r Burlington, N.J. (base) $49.00. Based on existing freight rates; subject to ... change. Gas pipe and class A, $3 per ton additional, 4 in., $3 per ton ...itional, 30 in. and larger usually $2 per ton less. *b* Double strength. *c* List ... dealer. *d* List. *e* 30-inch. *f* Less 5% for cash. *g* Culvert pipe. *h* Dis...nts from standard list consumers carload prices, except Pittsburgh prices ... f.o.b. mill. Base price $200 per net ton. List prices per ft.: ½ in., 8½c.; ..., 11½c.; 1 in., 17c.; 2 in., 37c.; 2½ in., 58½c.; 3 in., 76½c.; 4 in., $1.09; 6 in., $1.92. *i* Applies also at Lorain, Ohio, mills. Chicago delivered base is 2½ points less on butt, 1½ on lap. Freight is figured from Pittsburgh, Lorain, O., Chicago Dist. Billing is from point producing lowest price at destination. WROUGHT IRON PIPE: Base price and list prices per ft. same as wrought steel pipe. Discount for Pittsburgh base: Butt-weld—1 in. and 1¼ in. black 34, galv. 16; 1½ in. black 38, galv. 18½; 2 in. black 37½, galv. 18. Lapweld—2½ in. to 3½ in. black 31½, galv. 14½; 4½ in. to 8 in. black, 32½ galv. 17. *j* Reinforced; spec C 76–37. *k* Reinforced; spec. C 75–37. *l* Plus sales tax. *m* Tax included.

## LUMBER, TIMBER PLYWOOD—PER M FT., B.M., CARLOAD LOTS F.O.B.

| | SHORT LEAF YELLOW PINE AND DOUGLAS FIR — All S. L. Y. P. is No. 2 common or better and for No. 1 N. C. Box. (Prices in Bold Face) — *All Fir planks No. 2 common, Fir timber is No. 1 common. Lengths up to 20 ft. (Prices in italics)* | | | | | | | | | LONG LEAF Y. P. Merchantable grade up to 20 ft. | | PLYWOOD Rail freight incre (See note for bas |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1x6 Std | 1x8 Std | 2x4 Std | 2x6 Std | 2x8 Std | 2x10 Std | 3x12 Merch | 6x12 Merch | 12x12 Merch | 2x12 Merch | 12x12 Merch | ⅜" |
| Atlanta | $32.00 | $32.00 | $29.00 | $28.00 | $28.00 | $31.50 | $46.00 | ..... | ..... | $54.00 | $62.00 | $17.90 |
| Baltimore | 40.00 | 42.00 | 40.00 | 40.00 | 41.00 | 44.00 | 60.00 | | | 110.00 | 115.00 | 18.25 |
| | *45.00* | *46.00* | *52.00* | *52.00* | *52.00* | *52.00* | *68.00* | *$72.00* | *$72.00* | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Birmingham | 34.50 | 36.50 | 32.00 | 32.00 | 34.00 | 34.00 | 53.00 | 53.00 | 56.00 | ..... | ..... | 17.35 |
| | 37.50 | 37.50 | 37.00 | 37.00 | 37.00 | 43.00 | 65.00 | ..... | ..... | 67.50 | 70.00 | ..... |
| Boston ‡* | ..... | ..... | 50.00[3] | 55.00[3] | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 18.25 |
| ‡* | *45.00* | *45.00* | *50.00* | *55.00* | *60.00* | *70.00* | *75.00* | *80.00* | *80.00* | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Chicago | 42.00 | 43.00 | 41.00 | 40.00 | 41.00 | 42.50 | 60.00 | ..... | ..... | 80.00 | 95.00 | 14.60 |
| | *46.00* | *46.00* | *47.50* | *47.00* | *47.00* | *48.00* | *67.00* | *66.50* | *68.00* | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Cincinnati | 41.00 | 42.50 | 39.00 | 40.50 | 42.00 | 43.00 | 53.00 | ..... | ..... | 65.00 | 68.00 | 17.35 |
| | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | *55.50* | *55.50* | *55.50* | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Cleveland | 42.50 | 42.50 | 41.50 | 43.50 | 45.00 | 47.00 | 53.00 | 53.00 | 55.00 | 76.00 | 81.00 | 17.75 |
| Dallas e | 39.50 | 40.50 | 39.50 | 38.00 | 38.50 | 39.50 | 53.00 | 53.50 | 53.00 | 78.00 | 83.00 | 14.60 |
| Denver ‡ | 54.00[4] | 52.00[4] | 55.00[4] | 55.00[4] | 55.00[4] | 56.00[4] | 59.00[4] | *75.00* | *79.00* | ..... | ..... | 10.45 |
| Detroit | 44.00 | 44.00 | 44.00 | 43.50 | 44.00 | 46.00 | 60.00 | ..... | ..... | 53.00 | 63.00 | 17.35 |
| | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | *51.50* | *55.00* | *60.00* | *60.00* | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Kansas City | 50.00 | 55.00 | 52.00 | 52.00 | 52.00 | 55.00 | 65.00 | ..... | ..... | 75.00 | 85.00 | 12.60 |
| | *50.00* | *55.00* | *52.00* | *52.00* | *52.00* | *55.00* | *65.00* | *80.00* | *80.00* | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Los Angeles a | *55.00* | *55.00* | *53.00* | *53.00* | *51.00* | *51.00* | *57.00* | *65.00* | *66.00* | ..... | ..... | 9.90*h* |
| Minneapolis ‡b | 49.00[4] | 49.00[4] | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 12.60 |
| ‡ | *53.00* | *53.00* | *53.00* | *52.00* | *52.00* | *53.00* | *59.00* | *61.00* | *61.00* | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Montreal †[7] | *43.00* | *46.00* | *42.00* | *45.00* | *47.00* | *54.00* | ..... | ..... | ..... | 200.00 | 200.00 | ..... |
| | *42.50* | *42.50* | *45.25* | *47.25* | *48.25* | *48.75* | *50.75* | *50.75* | *50.75* | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| New Orleans | 31.50 | 31.50 | 33.75 | 31.75 | 34.00 | 35.00 | 48.00 | ..... | ..... | 69.00 | 69.00 | 14.60 |
| | *51.00* | *51.00* | *53.00* | *51.00* | *54.00* | *52.00* | *53.00* | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| New York ‡ | 50.00 | 51.00 | 51.00 | 50.00 | 51.00 | 54.00 | 62.00 | ..... | ..... | 120.00*f* | 125.00*f* | 18.35 |
| ‡ | ..... | ..... | *65.00i* | *65.00i* | *65.00i* | *65.00i* | [ Range from $75 to $95 ] | | | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Philadelphia | 50.75 | 50.75 | 51.75 | 50.00 | 50.00 | 52.75 | 70.00 | ..... | ..... | 110.00 | 107.75 | 18.25 |
| | ..... | ..... | *65.00* | *65.00* | *65.00* | *65.00* | *67.50* | *$75 to $95* | *$75 to $95* | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Pittsburgh | 50.80 | 53.20 | 62.75 | 55.00 | 60.85 | 62.50 | 76.25 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 18.10 |
| | *69.20* | *68.10* | *66.10* | *65.50* | *65.20* | *65.65* | *83.75* | *83.75* | *83.75* | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| St. Louis ‡c | 51.00 | 51.00 | 49.00 | 48.00 | 49.00 | 52.00 | 66.00 | *72.00* | *72.00* | 84.00 | 71.00 | 14.60 |
| San Francisco d | *35.50* | *35.50* | *37.00* | *37.00* | *36.50* | *36.50* | *40.50* | *49.50* | *49.50* | ..... | ..... | 7.30*g* |
| Seattle | *35.00* | *35.00* | *35.00* | *35.00* | *35.00* | *35.00* | *40.00* | *40.00* | *40.00* | ..... | ..... | 0.00 |

**Bold Face type, Southern Pine.** *Italics, Douglas Fir.* [1] Long leaf. [2] Roofers' N. C. Pine. [3] Spruce. [4] Native. [5] Western Pine, No. 3 Common. [7] Spruce. [8] Norway Pine. ‡ Delivered. *a* Yard prices. *b* Contractors discount in Minneapolis and St. Paul discontinued May 21, 1938. *c* 5M ft. or less. *d* F.o.b. cars San Francisco freight rate. *e* 10% discount taken off. *f* Up to 18 ft. † Plus sales tax. * Prices for truck delivery; no longer quoting carload lots f. o. b. city.

NOTE: Special concrete form grade Fir Plywood, 4' by 8' panels, 5-ply, sanded 2 sides, water resistant glue, carload lots, delivered per 1,000 sq. ft. surface Seattle base price on ⅝", $86.50; on ¾", $95.30; price includes oiling and ing charges. For other centers add rail freight increment from table or p size. For resin dipped treatment, add $10.50 per M. *g* Lower rate by wa shipment. *h* 50,000 lb. minimum. *i* Ranges from $65 to $69.

## GLASS, EXPLOSIVES, CHEMICALS

| | WINDOW GLASS — Discounts from jobbers list, Aug. 15, 1938 Single or Double Thickness A quality | B quality | EXPLOSIVES — Per lb. 40% Ammonia Gelatin in 50-lb. cases delivered in 200 lb. lots* | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Atlanta | 75% | 75% | $0.15 | |
| Baltimore | 78% | 79% | .15 | |
| Birmingham | 76% | 76% | .105 | |
| Boston | 77% | 78% | .15 | |
| Chicago | 77% | 77% | .15 | |
| Cincinnati | 71-10% | 71-10% | .15 | Price of 60% Ammonia Gelatin in $0.01 per lb. higher than 40% |
| Cleveland | 77-10% | 77-10% | .19 | |
| Dallas | 76% | 76% | .1625 | |
| Denver | 76% | 76% | .155*e* | |
| Detroit | 77% | 77% | .1575 | |
| Kansas City | 76-10% | 76-10% | .155 | |
| Los Angeles | 86%*d* | 88%*d* | .1575 | |
| Minneapolis | 77% | 77% | .155 | |
| Montreal | 40-5%‡ | 47%‡ | .1675† | |
| New Orleans | 70% | 75% | .16 | |
| New York | 81% | 82% | .22*f* | |
| Philadelphia | 78% | 79% | .15 | |
| Pittsburgh | 79% | 79% | .1225 | |
| St. Louis | 76-10% | 76-10% | .155 | |
| San Francisco | 66-15% | 73-15% | .155 | |
| Seattle | 75% | 75% | .1575† | |

*a* Disc. from list Sept. 1939. *b* Also less 6% tax exemption. *d* Discount from jobbers' list Sept. 15, 1928. ‡ Plus sales tax.

* Urban prices influenced by service charges or local storage and delivery regulations, do not consistently reflect quantity prices in less congested areas. *e* F.o.b. Louviers, Colo. *f* In boroughs of Kings, Queens and Richmond, and in Manhattan south of Canal Street, add delivery charge of $6.00 per trip † F.o.b.

**40% Ammonia Gelatin price ranges in other than urban areas, per lb. (except Seismograph Grades)**

| | C/L 20,000 lb. net | Tons | 200 lb. lots |
|---|---|---|---|
| E. of the Miss., except Fla. and Me. | $0.105 | $0.13 | $0.15 |
| W. of Miss. to Rocky Mtn. States, Fla. and Maine. | .11 -.1173 | .135 -.1475 | .155 -.1675 |
| Rocky Mtn. States | .11 -.1225 | .135 -.1525‡ | .155 -.1725‡ |
| Pacific N. W. States | .1075-.12 | .1375-.15 | .1575-.17 |
| Pacific S. W. States | .1050-.1125 | .135 -.1425 | .155 -.1625 |

‡ F.o.b. Louviers, Colo., or Butte, Mont.

## PILES, TIES — F.O.B.

### PILES

Prices per linear foot, pine, with bark on, f.o.b. New York; delivered fr barge 1½ to 2c. per ft. additional:

| Dimensions | Points | Length | Short Leaf—Barge | Rail |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 12 in. at butt | 6 in. | 30 to 50 ft. | $0.23 | $0.2 |
| 12 in.— 2 ft. from butt | 6 in. | 50 to 59 ft. | .26 | .2 |
| 12 in.— 2 ft. from butt | 6 in. | 60 to 69 ft. | .31 | .3 |
| 14 in.— 2 ft. from butt | 6 in. | 50 to 69 ft. | .28 | .3 |
| 14 in.— 2 ft. from butt | 6 in. | 70 to 79 ft. | .31 | .3 |
| 14 in.— 2 ft. from butt | 5 in. | 80 to 85 ft. | .40 | .4 |
| 14 in.— 2 ft. from butt | 5 in. | 85 to 89 ft. | .45 | .5 |

### RAILWAY TIES

| Prices f.o.b., per tie for carload lots: | | 6"x8"x8' Untr. | 6"x8"x8' Tr. | 7"x9"x8'6" Untr. | 7"x9"x8'6" Tr. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Boston | Oak | $1.50 | .... | $2.00 | .... |
| | Pine | 2.00 | $3.00*a* | 3.00 | $3.50*a* |
| New York | S. L. Sap Pine | 1.43/1.54 | 2.59 | 1.76 | 2.86 |
| | Mixed Oak | 1.71 | 2.59 | 2.42 | 3.58 |
| Birmingham | White Oak | 1.00 | 1.60*a* | 1.30 | 2.25*a* |
| | Southern Pine | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Chicago | Red Oak | .... | 2.19*a* | .... | 2.87/3.00 |
| | Southern Pine | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Los Angeles | Douglas Fir | 1.10 | 1.75*a* | 1.60 | 2.50*a* |
| Philadelphia | Red Oak | .... | 2.10*ag* | .... | 3.25*ag* |
| St. Louis | White Oak | 1.65* | .... | 1.90* | .... |
| | Red Oak | 1.55* | 2.15*a** | 1.90* | 2.70* |
| | Sap Pine or Cypress | 1.35* | .... | 1.70* | .... |
| San Francisco | Douglas Fir | 1.15*bef* | .... | .... | 3.00*a* |
| Montreal | Birch or Maple | .85 | .95 | .... † | .... † |

Tr.— Treated; Untr.— Untreated. *a* Creosoted. *b* 6" x 8 x 8'6". *c* Empty cell. *d* Zinc. *e* Green. *f* F. o. b. cars. † Out of market. * September 19 price, none later available. *g* January price, none later available.

### CHEMICALS

**Water, sewage treatment road work, f.o.b. carlots, New York**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bleaching powder, in drums, f.o.b. works, per 100-lb | $2.50- 3.1 |
| Chlorine cylinders, liquid, per lb. delivered | .0 |
| Calcium chloride, 77-80%, flaked, in 100-lb. paper bags, delivered, per ton | 18.50-35.0 |
| Silicate of soda, 52 deg., in drums, f.o.b. works, per 100 lb | 1.4 |
| Soda ash, 58%, in paper bags, per 100 lb. dense | 1.5 |
| Sulphate of aluminum, commercial, in 100-lb. bags, per ton | 23.00-25.0 |
| Sulphate of copper, in bbl., per 100-lb | 5.15- 5.3 |

## STRUCTURAL CLAY BUILDING TILE, BRICK AND LIME—DELIVERED

| | STRUCTURAL CLAY TILE—PARTITION—SCORED. Per M. lots of 2,000 pieces or over, 3x12x12 in. | 4x12x12 in. | 8x12x12 in. | STRUCTURAL CLAY TILE—LOAD BEARING—SCORED. Per M. lots of 2,000 pieces or over, 8x12x12 in. | 10x12x12 in. | 12x12x12 in. | BRICK. Per M. in quantity. Common backing | Straight hard | LIME. Per ton, Hydrated finishing | In paper, Common hydrated | Carload lot, Pulverized or lump |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ..... | $104.00 | $114.00 | $199.00 | $234.00 | $244.00 | $250.00 | $13.50 | $18.04 | $26.54 | $15.04 | $15.04 |
| ..... | 84.00 | 90.00 | 170.00 | 200.00 | 260.00 | 320.00 | 15.00*k* | 19.00*k* | 18.00 | 13.00 | 2.50*m* |
| ..... | 80.00 | 85.00 | 160.00 | 191.00 | 252.00 | 288.00 | 14.50 | 17.00 | 18.11 | 13.64 | 2.25*lo* |
| ..... | 89.35*a* | 93.30*a* | 178.70*a* | 202.50 | 271.80 | 308.20 | 16.50*i* | 19.50*i* | 17.50*t* | 12.50*t* | 14.92*t* |
| ..... | 72.00 | 77.00 | 145.00 | 197.00 | 243.00 | 278.00 | 12.50 | 13.50 | 17.00 | 15.00 | 12.50 |
| ..... | 65.55 | 69.90 | 131.20 | 148.70 | 210.35 | 240.45 | 17.50 | 17.50 | 15.50 | 13.00 | ..... |
| ..... | 60.00 | 64.00 | 120.00 | 144.00 | 193.00 | 221.00 | 17.00 | 17.00 | 15.75*j* | 13.25*j* | 3.00*jm* |
| ..... | 62.50 | 67.50 | 135.00 | 162.00 | 212.50 | 263.00 | 13.50*i* | 15.00*i* | 19.00 | 15.00 | 4.95*n* |
| ..... | 84.80 | 95.40 | 153.70 | 178.20 | 212.00 | 227.90 | 14.50 | 17.00 | 25.00*j* | 17.00*j* | 20.00*j* |
| ..... | 86.05 | 91.80 | 172.10 | 213.00 | 268.00 | 330.00*e* | 17.50 | 18.00 | 18.00 | 16.00 | 16.00 |
| City... | 67.00 | 69.00 | 89.00*e* | 128.00 | 163.00 | 189.00 | 15.00 | 16.00 | 19.32 | 13.00 | 10.92 |
| ..... | 73.50*fr* | 89.50*fr* | 128.00*efr* | 210.00*fr* | 368.00*fr* | 460.00*fr* | 13.50 | 15.00 | 16.50 | 17.50 | 17.50 |
| ..... | 81.00*b* | 86.40*b* | 146.90*b* | ..... | 177.00*b* | 246.00*b* | 13.60 | 15.60*g* | 21.00 | 16.00 | 19.00 |
| ..... | 99.10*a* | 105.65*a* | 154.75*a* | 104.65*at* | 154.75*au* | 155.25 | 22.00*tu* | 27.25*tu* | 24.60*u* | 18.00*u* | ..... |
| ..... | 72.00 | 72.00 | 135.00 | 162.00 | 210.00 | 260.00 | 14.00 | ..... | 18.30 | 12.08 | 14.10 |
| ..... | 78.40 | 83.60 | 115.00*e* | 193.30*h* | 238.80*h* | 295.60*h* | 15.00 | ..... | 20.00 | 14.00 | 17.00 |
| ..... | 90.00 | 97.70 | 183.20 | 197.10 | 243.20 | 301.10 | 17.00 | 20.00 | 15.75 | 9.00 | 11.50 |
| ..... | 62.35 | 66.55 | 124.75 | 140.25 | 173.25 | 198.00 | 17.50 | 19.50 | 17.90 | 15.40 | 2.55*m* |
| ..... | 67.00 | 95.00 | 130.00 | 190.00 | 244.00 | 290.00 | 18.00 | 17.00 | 22.00 | 18.00 | 24.00 |
| ..... | 84.00 | 94.50 | 225.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 17.50 | 22.00 | 20.00 | 20.00 | 16.40 |
| ..... | 115.00 | 125.00 | 230.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 20.00*f* | 21.00*f* | 20.00*s* | 20.00*s* | 20.00*s* |

*a* Smooth. *b* Carload lots delivered to job. *c* 6x12x12 in. *d* Not bearing. *e* 48 lb. tile. *f* Less $1.00, ½ cash 15 days, balance 30 days. ted common. *h* F.o.b. Perth Amboy, N. J. *i* F.o.b. Warehouse only. *j* LCL. *k* $1.00 discount if paid in 10 days. *l* Lump. *m* Per bbl., 180 lb. *n* Per sack 100 lb. *o* Per bbl., 200 lb. *p* 280 lb. bag. *r* 5% discount 10 days. *s* 2% discount for cash. *t* 5½x8x12. *u* 8% sales tax include d

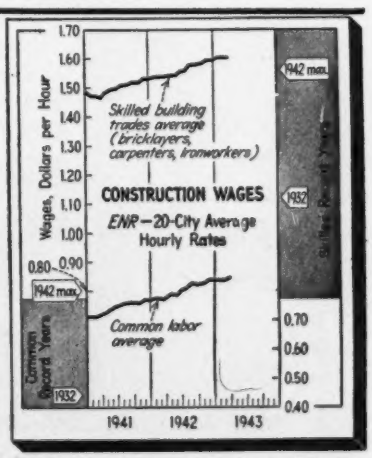
## PAINT, ROOFING—F.O.B. CARLOAD LOTS

| | RED LEAD. Per 100 lb. in 600-lb. (Approx.) bbl. Dry *a* | WHITE LEAD. Per 100 lb. in oil | READY-MIXED PAINT. Per gal., drums. Graphite *b* | Aluminum *b* | Ferric Oxide *d* | ROOFING SUPPLIES Carload lots f.o.b. factory. Rolls, slate surfaced, 85–90 lb. per sq. | Asphalt felt, per 100 lb. | Tar felt, per 100 lb. | Asphalt coating per gal. | Tar pitch 350 lb. bbl. per ton |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ..... | $10.25 | $14.125 | $1.30 | $2.25 | $1.20 | $1.90 | $1.61 | $1.61 | $0.27 | $29.00 |
| ..... | 10.00 | 13.75 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 2.50 | 2.30 | 2.70 | 2.70 | .40 | 29.00 |
| ..... | 10.25 | 14.125 | 2.35 | 3.50*r* | 1.98*r* | 2.04 | 1.97 | 1.97 | .32 | 28.35 |
| ..... | 10.00 | 13.75 | 1.60 | .... | 2.40 | 2.12‡ | 1.72*h*‡ | 1.72*h*‡ | .50‡ | 20.00‡ |
| ..... | 10.00 | 13.75 | .... | .... | .... | 1.75*h*/ | 1.74*h*/ | 1.82*h*/ | .33/ | 23.00/ |
| ..... | 10.00 | 13.75 | 1.70 | 2.90 | 1.60 | 2.40 | 2.39*h* | 2.39*h* | .36 | 21.00 |
| ..... | 10.00 | 13.75 | 2.10 | 4.80 | 1.95 | 1.93 | 1.83*h* | 1.83*h* | .35 | 29.00 |
| ..... | 10.00 | 14.50 | 1.88 | 2.11*n* | 1.05*l* | 1.75*h* | 1.66*h* | 1.66*h* | .35 | 39.00 |
| ..... | 10.50 | 14.25 | 1.65 | .... | .37*l* | 2.45 | 3.15 | 3.15 | .35 | 28.00 |
| ..... | 10.00 | 13.75 | 1.75 | 3.00 | 1.60 | 2.10 | 2.06 | 2.06 | .35 | 23.00 |
| City... | 10.00 | 13.875 | 2.39*g* | 2.55*gr* | 2.16*gn* | 2.10 | 2.30 | 2.30 | .28 | 27.50 |
| ..... | 10.25 | 14.25 | 1.60 | 2.25 | 2.30 | 2.10 | 1.50 | .... | .45 | ..... |
| ..... | 10.00 | 13.875 | .... | .... | .... | 1.75*i* | 1.66*h*/ | 1.66*h*/ | .32 | 23.00 |
| ..... | 9.25 | 6.25 | 2.85*p* | 5.39*p* | 2.70*p* | 2.85 | 2.58 | 2.07 | .63 | 1.85*h* |
| ..... | 10.00 | 13.75 | 2.03 | ....*r* | 1.64 | 1.66 | 1.58*h* | 1.58*h* | .26 | 25.00 |
| ..... | 10.00 | 13.75 | .... | .... | .... | 1.75 | 1.66 | 1.66 | .32 | 23.00 |
| ..... | 10.00 | 13.75 | 1.05 | 1.95 | .80 | 1.95 | 1.94*h* | 1.94*h* | .34 | 26.00 |
| ..... | 10.00 | 13.75 | 2.28*s* | 2.80*s* | 1.96*s* | 1.91 | 1.66 | 1.66 | .28 | 22.00 |
| ..... | 10.25 | 14.00 | 1.80 | 2.75*n* | 1.35/2.35 | 1.71 | 2.40 | 2.40 | .33 | 19.50 |
| ..... | 10.25 | 14.25 | 1.90 | 3.00 | .... | 2.15 | 2.16*h* | .... | .35 | 26.50*j* |

delivered. Note: Red lead in oil 50c. higher than white lead in oil. *a* Red prices change frequently due to pig lead price changes. *b* U. S. War Dept. 3-49A. *c* ASTM Spec. D266–31. *d* 80% minimum ferric oxide. ject to 25% discount. *f* Distributors' price to contractors. *g* 5 gal. can. *h* Per roll, 65 lb. *i* Minneapolis and vicinity. *j* Asphalt pitch. *k* Per 100-lb. *l* Per lb. *m* Per bbl. *n* May, 1941 price, no later quotation available. *p* Plus 8% sales tax. *r* Not available, except on priority rating; then quoted specially. *s* December price.

## SKILLED AND COMMON WAGE RATES—PER HOUR

| | Bricklayers | Carpenters | Struct. Iron Workers | Hoisting Engineers | Plasterers | Common Labor—Building | Common Labor—Heavy Const. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ..... | $1.50 | $1.25 | $1.375 | $1.00/1.25 | $1.50 | $0.40 | $0.50 |
| ..... | 1.75 | 1.375 | 1.80 | 1.625/1.80 | 1.50 | .70 | .70 |
| ..... | 1.75 | 1.125/1.25 | 1.50 | 1.25/1.50 | 1.50 | .65 | .65 |
| ..... | 1.625 | 1.50 | 1.65 | 1.875 | 1.667 | .80/1.00 | .80/1.00 |
| ..... | 1.75 | 1.70 | 1.76 | 1.75 | 1.825 | 1.10 | 1.10 |
| ..... | 1.75 | 1.50 | 1.625 | 1.40/1.55 | 1.625 | .80 | .80 |
| ..... | 1.75 | 1.55 | 1.75 | 1.75 | 1.75 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| ..... | 1.625 | 1.25 | 1.50 | 1.75 | 1.625 | .60 | 75/1.25 |
| ..... | 1.65*b* | 1.50*b* | 1.625*b* | 1.43*b* | 1.51*b* | .80*b* | .80*b* |
| ..... | 1.675 | 1.50 | 1.75 | 1.625/1.75 | 1.675 | .90 | .90 |
| ..... | 1.65 | 1.50 | 1.625 | 1.625 | 1.65 | .90 | .90 |
| ..... | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.667 | .75 | .75 |
| ..... | 1.50 | 1.375 | 1.50 | 1.40 | 1.50*e* | .925 | .925 |
| ..... | 1.50 | 1.25 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.375 | .65 | .65 |
| ..... | 2.00*b* | 1.85*b* | 2.00 | 2.00*b* | 2.00*b* | 1.031 | .95 |
| ..... | 1.90 | 1.50 | 1.90 | 2.00 | 2.00 | .825 | .825 |
| ..... | 1.90 | 1.50 | 1.75 | 1.625 | 1.75 | .80 | .70 |
| ..... | 1.75 | 1.50 | 1.75 | 2.00 | 1.75 | .95 | .95 |
| ..... | 1.75 | 1.4375 | 1.75 | 1.50/1.75 | 1.75 | .95 | .95 |
| ..... | 1.715 | 1.415 | 1.615 | 1.565 | 1.715 | 1.015 | 1.10 |
| ..... | .965 | .855 | .90 | .80 | .945 | .505 | .505 |

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**ENR Skilled Average:** (Bricklayers, Carpenters, Ironworkers) $1.606
**ENR Common Average:** $0.842

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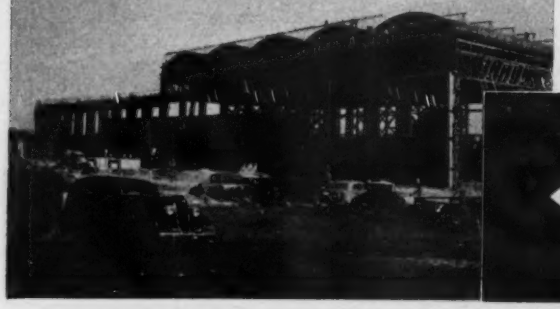

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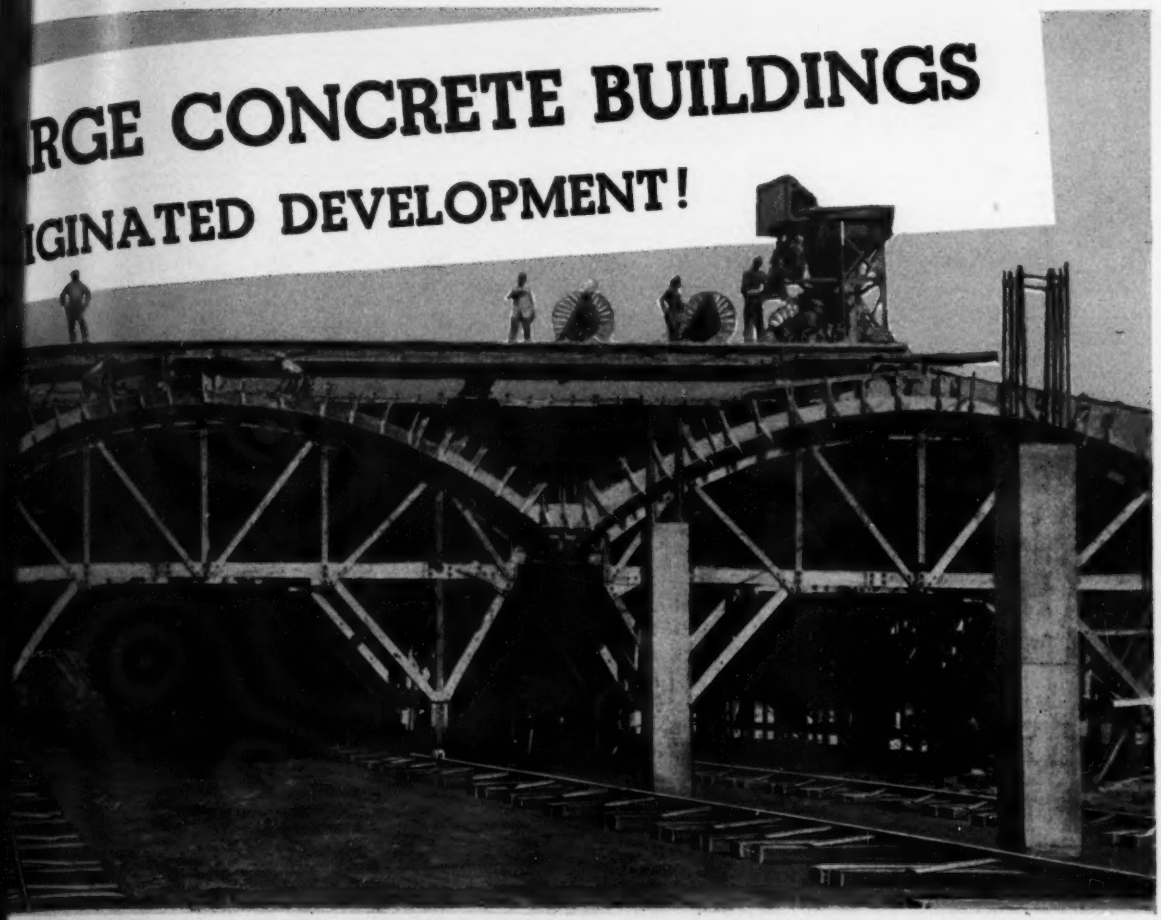
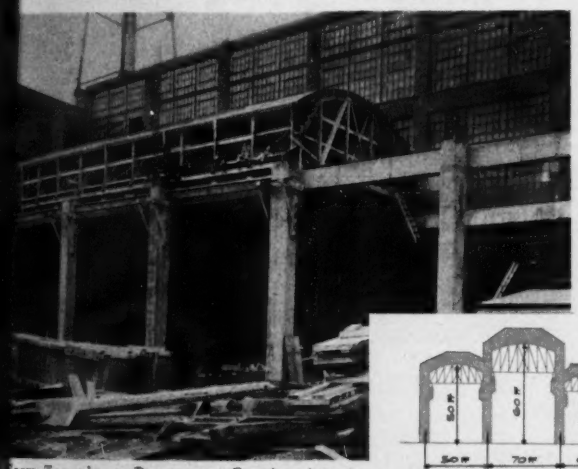


l. Actual Photo. Traveling Forms as Developed by Corbetta for Large Warehouse Construction. Note Headroom and Full-width Clear Passage



Form Travels on Permanent Overhead Rails

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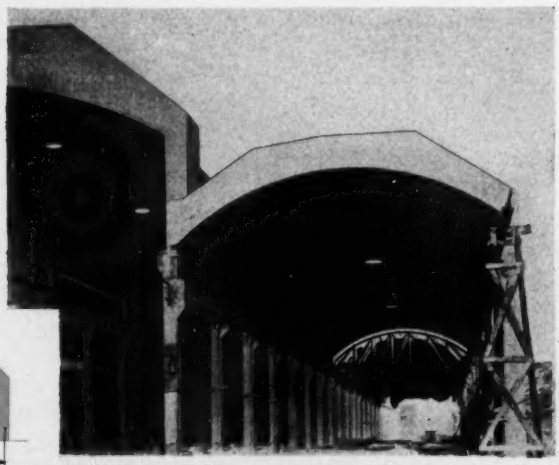

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# CONTRACT UNIT PRICES

*What contractors are bidding on different kinds of construction work*

## GRADE CROSSING ELIMINATION
## FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

OWNER: State of Ohio, Dept. of Highways, Columbus, Ohio.

PROJECT: Grade crossing elimination project in Franklin County, Ohio—overall length 2.243 miles, including roadways and approaches. Involves construction of 394-ft. reinforced concrete and steel bridge over Baltimore & Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New York Central Railroad tracks; 77-ft. bridge (rigid frame structure) over Fifth Avenue; roadway culverts; 8-in. portland cement concrete pavement; excavation; drainage structures; roadside improvement; and appurtenant work. Pavement width varies, 26-ft., 24-ft., and 18-ft.

CONDITIONS: Contractor to furnish all materials and complete work by December 31, 1943. Rail and highway transportation facilities available. Wage rates are: skilled labor, $1.15 to $1.75 per hr.; semi-skilled, 75c to $1.375; and common, 75c.

BIDS: Four bids were received December 22, 1942, ranging from the contract low of $540,000 to $643,649. Engineer's estimate, $656,220.

LIST OF BIDDERS:

1. Visintine & Co., Columbus, Ohio (contract) ..... $540,000
2. Skilken Brothers, Columbus, Ohio ..... 621,002
3. John Hill, Mansfield, Ohio ..... 638,904
4. National Engineering & Contracting Co., Cleveland, Ohio ..... 643,649

### Roadway

| Item | Quan. | Unit Prices (1) | (2) | (3) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Unclassified roadway excavation | 21,188 c. y. | $0.75 | $1.01 | $0.65 |
| 2. Borrow (contractor to furnish) | 136,050 c. y. | .60 | .82 | .95 |
| 3. Remove and dispose exist. conc. pavmt. | 36 s. y. | .50 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| 4. Remove, dispose of exist. bitum. pavmt. | 1,352 s. y. | .20 | .78 | .25 |
| 5. Remove, dispose of exist. wearing crse | 664 s. y. | .20 | .70 | .25 |
| 6. Remove trees and stumps | 70 ea. | 10.00 | 18.90 | 25.00 |
| 7. Cut and seal exist. pavmt. edge | 2,818 l. f. | .10 | .37 | .25 |
| 8. Seal existing pavement edge | 2,054 l. f. | .07 | .09 | .05 |
| 9. Water (estimated) | 751 M gal. | 2.00 | 3.27 | 7.00 |
| 10. 12-in. plain cem. conc. pipe (driveways) | 170 l. f. | 1.50 | 1.64 | 2.75 |
| 11. 10-in. p. c. c. pipe (storm sewers under pavmt.) | 76 l. f. | 1.20 | 1.76 | 2.40 |
| 12. 24-in., as above | 80 l. f. | 4.00 | 5.04 | 6.00 |
| 13. 24-in. p. c. c. pipe (for storm sewers) | 468 l. f. | 4.00 | 5.04 | 5.50 |
| 14. 15-in., as above | 391 l. f. | 1.80 | 2.15 | 3.15 |
| 15. 12-in., as above | 1,580 l. f. | 1.50 | 1.64 | 2.50 |
| 16. 8-in. p. c. c. pipe (storm sew. under pavmt.) | 32 l. f. | 1.15 | 1.25 | 1.50 |
| 17. 8-in., as above | 96 l. f. | 1.25 | 1.52 | 2.25 |
| 18. 12-in., as above | 1,256 l. f. | 1.50 | 1.89 | 3.00 |
| 19. 15-in., as above | 130 l. f. | 1.80 | 2.14 | 1.40 |
| 20. 18-in., as above | 144 l. f. | 2.50 | 2.90 | 4.50 |
| 21. 21-in., as above | 176 l. f. | 3.00 | 3.40 | 5.25 |
| 22. 12-in. ext. qual. drain tile (roadway drainage with porous backfill) | 570 l. f. | 1.60 | 1.33 | 2.00 |
| 23. 21-in. pl. cem. conc. pipe (rdwy. drainage) | 11 l. f. | 3.00 | 7.82 | 5.00 |
| 24. 6-in. ext. qual. drain tile (drainage, rdwy.) | 448 l. f. | 1.15 | .68 | 1.70 |
| 25. 8-in., as above | 98 l. f. | 1.50 | 1.00 | 2.25 |
| 26. 8-in. ext. qual. drain tile (rdwy. drainage with porous backfill) | 753 l. f. | 1.20 | 1.07 | 2.25 |
| 27. 10-in. ext. qual. drain tile (rdwy. drainage) | 52 l. f. | 1.75 | 1.50 | 2.40 |
| 28. 12-in., as above | 192 l. f. | 1.75 | 1.21 | 2.50 |
| 29. 15-in. pl. cem. conc. pipe (rdwy. drainage) | 9 l. f. | 2.00 | 7.00 | 3.10 |
| 30. 18-in. pl. cem. conc. pipe (storm sewers) | 1,154 l. f. | 3.00 | 3.65 | 4.10 |
| 31. 4-in. ext. qual. drain tile (underdrains) | 4,287 l. f. | .80 | .55 | 1.00 |
| 32. 21x8-in. tee pipe spec. (st. sewers under pavement) | 1 ea. | 5.00 | 5.00 | 10.00 |
| 33. 10-in. pipe specials (under pavement) | 2 ea. | 5.00 | 5.00 | 10.00 |
| 34. 30-deg. 21-in. L pipe spec. (rdwy. drainage) | 1 ea. | 22.50 | 9.00 | 25.00 |
| 35. Relay 6-in. pipe for roadway drainage | 130 l. f. | .50 | 1.45 | 1.40 |
| 36. Standard No. 1 manholes | 2 ea. | 125.00 | 145.00 | 125.00 |
| 37. Standard No. 16 catch basins | 32 ea. | 140.00 | 166.00 | 160.00 |
| 38. Std. No. 1-3 catch basins (modified) | 2 ea. | 45.00 | 150.00 | 130.00 |
| 39. Std. No. 7 catch basins with wood tops | 3 ea. | 50.00 | 145.00 | 100.00 |
| 40. Std. No. 1-2-A catch basins | 9 ea. | 50.00 | 103.00 | 125.00 |
| 41. Std. No. 11-A catch basins (mod. casting) | 3 ea. | 110.00 | 222.00 | 200.00 |
| 42. Std. No. 2-2-A catch basins (no side inlets) | 6 ea. | 45.00 | 113.00 | 125.00 |
| 43. Reset manhole castings to grade | 8 ea. | 10.00 | 63.00 | 25.00 |
| 44. Type A riprap | 27 s. y. | 4.00 | 8.40 | 6.00 |
| 45. 4-in. concrete sidewalks | 4,971 s. f. | .25 | .26 | .25 |
| 46. Remove and store guardrail | 368 l. f. | .50 | .63 | .25 |
| 47. Aggregate for traffic bound side appr. (60% No. 4: 40% No. 7) | 68 c. y. | 3.00 | 3.34 | 4.00 |
| 48. Classified embankment (blanket course) | 5,466 c. y. | 1.25 | 1.51 | 1.25 |
| 49. Remove, dispose exist. conc. curb | 2,257 l. f. | .20 | .25 | .25 |
| 50. Remove, dispose exist. conc. sidewalk | 8,813 s. f. | .03 | .06 | .05 |
| 51. Remove, dispose exist. steps (11 units) | Lump Sum | 55.00 | 76.00 | 300.00 |
| 52. Remove, dispose of pipe (to 15-in. dia.) | 162 l. f. | .50 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 53. As above, over 15-in. dia | 3 l. f. | 1.00 | 1.30 | 2.00 |
| 54. 6-in. pipe removed for re-use | 130 l. f. | .50 | 1.00 | 1.15 |
| 55. Remove, dispose exist. curb and gutter | 222 l. f. | .50 | .32 | .50 |
| 56. 21-in. pl. cem. conc. pipe (storm sewers) | 1,290 l. f. | 3.25 | 3.40 | 4.75 |
| 57. 12-in. p. c. c. pipe (rdwy. drainage outlets) | 40 l. f. | 1.50 | 3.65 | 2.50 |
| 58. Exist. catch basins, manholes, inlets abandoned | 15 ea. | 10.00 | 4.00 | 10.00 |
| 59. Conc. steps, 6-in. riser, 12-in. treads | 236 l. f. | 1.50 | 1.58 | 2.25 |
| 60. Wood guard rail posts | 645 ea. | 2.50 | 4.28 | 4.00 |
| 61. Monodirectional markers, Dickson Model B (clear glass) or equal | 262 ea. | 1.00 | 2.20 | 3.00 |
| 62. Aggregate for maintaining traffic | 125 c. y. | 2.00 | 3.34 | 2.50 |
| 63. Calcium chloride, del'd. and applied | 2.5 ton | 40.00 | 57.00 | 60.00 |
| 64. One drilled well abandoned | Lump Sum | 25.00 | 32.00 | 25.00 |

### Pavement

| Item | Quan. | Unit Prices (1) | (2) | (3) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 65. 2-in. insulation course | 1,933 s. y. | .25 | .50 | .15 |
| 66. Waterbound macadam base course, coarse aggregate | 1,395 ton | 3.00 | 2.71 | 4.00 |
| 67. As above, fine aggregate | 511 ton | 3.00 | 2.71 | 5.00 |
| 68. Furn. and incorporating black coloring in concrete | 1,217.5 s. y. | .20 | .25 | .25 |
| 69. Asph. conc. surface course, Type A | 73 c. y. | 11.00 | 7.56 | 12.00 |
| 70. Bitum. surf. treatment, No. 6 aggr. | 34 ton | 3.00 | 2.41 | 3.25 |
| 71. Bitum. surf. trtmt. (seal coat) | 1,011 gal. | .11 | .28 | .20 |
| 72. Asphaltic conc. leveling course | 58 c. y. | 11.00 | 7.50 | 12.00 |
| 73. Bituminous prime coat | 2,092 gal. | .11 | .28 | .20 |
| 74. Bitum. surf. trtmt., bitum. material | 2,427 gal. | .11 | .28 | .20 |
| 75. Bitum. surf. trtmt., cover aggr. No. 46 | 89 ton | 3.00 | 2.39 | 3.25 |
| 76. Portland cem. conc. pavmt., for drives (6-in.) | 211.4 s. y. | 2.00 | 2.92 | 2.00 |
| 77. 7½-in. port. cem. conc. median pav't., Type A | 1,217.5 s. y. | 2.50 | 3.72 | 3.00 |
| 78. 7½-in. port. cem. conc. median pavmt., Type B | 663.7 s. y. | 2.50 | 3.71 | 3.00 |
| 79. 8-in. port. cem. conc. pavement | 38,371.4 s. y. | 2.15 | 2.37 | 2.40 |
| 80. Type 2-A integral concrete curb | 12,617 l. f. | .25 | .58 | .20 |
| 81. Type 4-A integral concrete curb | 622 l. f. | .30 | 1.44 | .20 |
| 82. Spec. Type 6-A integral conc. curb | 8,100 l. f. | .15 | .51 | .20 |
| 83. Type 2 comb. conc. curb and gutter, 24-in. | 1,715 l. f. | 1.00 | 1.77 | 1.00 |
| 84. Type 4 comb. conc. curb and gutter, 30-in. | 219 l. f. | 1.10 | 2.04 | 2.00 |
| 85. Type 2 comb. conc. curb and gutter 30-in | 76 l. f. | 1.50 | 2.66 | 2.00 |
| 86. 9-in. rein. concrete approach slab | 356.6 s. y. | 4.50 | 6.38 | 5.00 |

### Structures—20-ft. span and under

| Item | Quan. | Unit Prices (1) | (2) | (3) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 87. Unclassified excavation, structures | 177 c. y. | 2.50 | 3.42 | 3.50 |
| 88. Channel excavation | 227 c. y. | .80 | 2.29 | 1.00 |
| 89. Class E concrete, structures | 12.9 c. y. | 20.00 | 22.79 | 30.00 |
| 90. Class C concrete, structures | 43.5 c. y. | 30.00 | 27.66 | 35.00 |
| 91. Type B waterproofing | 4.7 s. y. | 2.00 | .21 | 2.00 |
| 92. Reinforcing steel | 3,941 lb. | .07 | .076 | .07 |
| 93. Remove portions exist structures | 18 c. y. | 10.00 | 15.11 | 20.00 |
| 94. Dowel holes | 23 l. f. | 1.00 | 2.52 | 1.00 |
| 95. 15-in. pl. cem. conc. pipe, incl. 8-in. encasement for roadway culverts | 163 l. f. | 4.00 | 4.44 | 5.00 |
| 96. 48-in. rein. conc. pipe, rdwy. culverts | 122 l. f. | 14.00 | 12.60 | 9.50 |

### Roadside Improvement

| Item | Quan. | Unit Prices (1) | (2) | (3) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 97. Aggregate for tree root aeration | 27 c. y. | 4.00 | 3.18 | 4.00 |
| 98. Renovating existing soil | 586 M s. f. | 3.00 | 2.52 | 2.00 |
| 99. Commercial fertiliser (4–12–4) | 5,858 lb. | .04 | .05 | .04 |
| 100. Seeding, No. 2 | 4,355 s. y. | .04 | .04 | .04 |
| 101. Sodding | 6,532 s. y. | .25 | .38 | .45 |

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| 104. Maple trees, 3-in., salvaged | 2 ea. | 20.00 | 19.00 | 12.00 |
| 105. Seeding and protecting rdwy. areas | 58,925 s. y. | .05 | .06 | .045 |

***Structures—over 20-ft. span***

| Item | Quan. | Unit Prices (1) | (2) | (3) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 106. Unclassified excav., structures | 1,280 c. y. | 4.00 | 4.76 | 5.00 |
| 107. Class C conc., superstructure | 1,462 c. y. | 40.00 | 46.67 | 40.00 |
| 108. Class E. conc., pier walls | 1,189 c. y. | 30.00 | 24.10 | 30.00 |
| 109. Class E conc., footings | 566 c. y. | 20.00 | 14.60 | 25.00 |
| 110. Furn. and incorporate black coloring material in median strip | 4 c. y. | 1.00 | 6.25 | 5.00 |
| 111. Type B waterproofing | 70 s. y. | 2.50 | 2.27 | 2.00 |
| 112. Reinforcing steel | 287,300 lb. | .055 | .06 | .06 |
| 113. Structural steel | 313,000 lb. | .08 | .07 | .07 |
| 114. Wrought iron blast plates | 4,500 lb. | .25 | .11 | .20 |
| 115. Field painting str. steel, incl. blast plates | 317,500 lb. | .004 | .006 | .0038 |
| 116. ½-in. premolded expan. joint filler | 34 s. f. | .40 | .53 | .50 |
| 117. 1-in. premolded expan. joint filler | 34 s. f. | .80 | .71 | 1.00 |
| 118. 1/16-in. sheet asbestos rubber packing | 52 s. f. | .30 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 119. Expansion joint | 8.1 l. f. | 2.00 | 1.00 | 1.50 |
| 120. Bridge railing (timber with conc. posts) | 785.5 l. f. | 6.00 | 4.40 | 3.00 |
| 121. First test pile | Lump Sum | 650.00 | 630.00 | 2,000.00 |
| 122. First test load | Lump Sum | 500.00 | 567.00 | 500.00 |
| 123. Subsequent test load | Lump Sum | 100.00 | 504.00 | 200.00 |
| 124. 14-in. rein. conc. piling | 9,580 l. f. | 3.00 | 3.72 | 3.50 |
| 125. 2-in. fiber conduit | 800 l. f. | .50 | .29 | .25 |
| 126. 10-in. pipe for sanitary sewer | 85 l. f. | 2.50 | 3.33 | 1.00 |
| 127. Unclassified structural excavation | 2,130 c. y. | 2.50 | 1.22 | 3.50 |
| 128. Class C concrete, frame | 1,080 c. y | 30.00 | 25.28 | 30.50 |
| 129. Class E concrete, wing walls | 420 c. y. | 25.00 | 31.56 | 23.00 |
| 130. Class E concrete, footings | 435 c. y. | 20.00 | 13.40 | 18.00 |
| 131. Type A waterproofing | 435 s. y. | 1.00 | 1.13 | 1.00 |
| 132. Type B waterproofing | 56 s. y. | 2.00 | 2.27 | 2.00 |
| 133. Reinforcing steel | 165,660 lb. | .055 | .06 | .06 |
| 134. ½-in. premolded expan. joint filler | 4 s. f. | .50 | .75 | 2.00 |
| 135. 1-in. premolded expan. joint filler | 810 s. f. | .75 | .70 | 1.00 |
| 136. 1/16-in. sheet asbestos rubber packing | 390 s. f. | .30 | .95 | 1.00 |
| 137. Expansion joint | 165 l. f. | 2.00 | .76 | 6.00 |
| 138. Bridge railing | 156.2 l. f. | 6.00 | 9.85 | 5.00 |
| 139. Bridge lighting system, complete | Lump Sum | 500.00 | 951.00 | 2,000.00 |
| 140. 2-in. fiber conduit | 225 l. f. | .50 | .29 | 1.50 |
| 141. Porous backfill | 295 c. y. | 4.00 | 2.96 | 2.70 |
| 142. 8-in. bell and spigot rein. conc. pipe | 310 l. f. | 2.00 | 1.70 | 1.80 |
| 143. Furn. and incorporate black coloring matter in median strip | 2 c. y. | 2.00 | 6.50 | 100.00 |
| 144. Premium on industrial insurance | Lump Sum | 4,000.00 | 7,350.00 | 4,000.00 |
| 145. Maintain traffic, incl. lights, signs, barricades and watchmen (24-hr. service) | Lump Sum | 723.83 | 9,000.00 | 2,000.00 |

## PEDESTRIAN SUBWAY APPROACHES CHICAGO, ILL.

OWNER: City of Chicago, Department of Public Works, O. E. Hewitt, commissioner.

PROJECT: Pedestrian subway approaches on North Ogallah Ave., between North Olmsted and North Avondale Avenues. Involves necessary common and rock excavation; filling (both sand and crushed limestone); construction of concrete retaining wall; damp-proofing; tile pipe sewer and drain; manhole and catchbasin; handrail; tree and stump removal; and concrete walkway and sidewalks. Walkway is 12-ft. wide and has 7½-ft. minimum vertical clearance under tracks.

CONDITIONS: Contractor to furnish all materials and complete work in 210 consecutive days. Rail and highway transportation facilities available. Wage rates are: skilled labor, $1.70 to $1.825 per hour; and common labor, $1.10 per hour.

BIDS: Fifteen bids were received January 29, 1943, ranging from the low of $12,063 to $29,480.

LIST OF BIDDERS:

1. Santucci Constr. Co., Skokie, Ill. (low bidder) ..... $12,063
2. James A. Sackley Co., Chicago, Ill. ..... 13,687
3. Izzi Constr. Co., Chicago, Ill. ..... 16,264
4. M. J. McDermott & Co., Chicago, Ill. ..... 16,633
5. Michuda Bros. Constr. Co., Chicago, Ill. ..... 16,677
6. George P. Cullen, Chicago, Ill. ..... 17,040
7. John A. McGarry & Co., Chicago, Ill. ..... 17,379
8. Casey & Emmert, Chicago, Ill. ..... 18,849
9. Hoeffer & Co., Chicago, Ill. ..... 19,218
10. S. N. Nielsen Co., Chicago, Ill. ..... 20,
11. Joseph Ventrella & Co., Chicago, Ill. ..... 21,
12. Michael Pontarelli & Sons, Chicago, Ill. ..... 22,
13. E. L. Archibald Co., Chicago, Ill. ..... 23,
14. C. E. Carson Co., Chicago, Ill. ..... 26,
15. N. S. Mackie Co., Chicago, Ill. ..... 29,

| Item | Quan. | Unit Prices (1) | (2) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Common excavation | 1,450 c. y. | $1.40 | $1.43 | |
| 2. Rock excavation | 20 c. y. | 1.00 | 2.50 | |
| 3. Filling (sand) | 90 c. y. | 1.50 | 2.50 | |
| 4. Filling (crushed limestone) | 300 c. y. | 2.10 | 2.50 | |
| 5. Retaining wall concrete | 220 c. y. | 27.00 | 3.25 | |
| 6. Concrete walkways and sidewalks | 5,200 s. f. | .34 | 29.70 | |
| 7. Additional portland cement | 25 bbl. | 2.75 | .34 | |
| 8. Damp-proofing | 200 s. y. | 1.00 | 2.70 | |
| 9. 8-in. tile pipe sewer | 140 l. f. | 1.70 | 1.29 | |
| 10. 8-in. tile pipe drain | 620 l. f. | .75 | 2.15 | |
| 11. Manhole | 1 ea. | 140.00 | 1.49 | |
| 12. Catch basin | 1 ea. | 125.00 | 93.00 | |
| 13. Handrail | 260 l. f. | 1.15 | 93.00 | |
| 14. Tree and stump removal | 150 dia. in. | .03 | .75 | |

## HIGHWAYS, VIRGINIA

OWNER: Virginia Department of Highways, Richmond, V

PROJECT: Construction of 13.76 miles of two-lane concre highway in Warwick, James City and York Counties, Virgini on Route 168, from a point 0.77 miles south of the intersecti of Rich Neck Road to Williamsburg. Each lane, of 9-in. pla concrete, is 11-ft. wide. Project also includes 20-ft. soil bitumi ous surface treated center strip.

CONDITIONS: Contractor to furnish all materials and co plete work in 250 days. Rail, highway and water transportati facilities available at, or near, site of work. Minimum wag rates are: skilled labor, 60c. per hour; semi-skilled, 35c.; an common, 30c.

BIDS: Three bids were received December 22, 1942, rangin from the contract low of $1,143,397 to $1,247,663.

LIST OF BIDDERS:

1. W. H. Scott, Inc., Franklin, Va. (contract) ..... $1,143,39
2. Bero Engr. & Constr. Corp., Blackstone, Va. ..... 1,157,21
3. Keeley Constr. Co., Harrisonburg, Va. ..... 1,247,66

| Item | Quan. | Unit Prices (1) | (2) | (3) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Clearing and grubbing | 32 ac. | $400.00 | $225.00 | $350.00 |
| 2. Regular excavation | 226,600 c. y. | .65 | .65 | .75 |
| 3. Borrow excavation | 9,200 c. y. | .75 | .75 | 1.50 |
| 4. Concrete, Class A | 313 c. y. | 64.00 | 48.00 | 55.00 |
| 5. Concrete, Class B | 670 c. y. | 64.00 | 35.00 | 45.00 |
| 6. Metal reinforcement | 25,991 lb. | .10 | .07 | .10 |
| 7. Concrete right-of-way monuments | 40 ea. | 3.00 | 3.50 | 10.00 |
| 8. Subgrade underdrains, CD-1 or CD-2 | 1,800 l. f. | 1.00 | .95 | .70 |
| 9. 15-in. concrete pipe | 322 l. f. | 2.25 | 3.25 | 2.00 |
| 10. 18-in. pipe | 683 l. f. | 2.90 | 4.00 | 2.50 |
| 11. 24-in. pipe | 325 l. f. | 4.25 | 4.75 | 4.00 |
| 12. 30-in. pipe | 45 l. f. | 6.50 | 6.00 | 6.00 |
| 13. 36-in. pipe | 156 l. f. | 9.00 | 7.75 | 8.00 |
| 14. Relay pipe | 600 l. f. | 2.50 | 2.50 | 2.00 |
| 15. 12-in. pipe | 100 l. f. | 1.20 | 2.75 | 1.50 |
| 16. Concrete, Class C | 109 c. y. | 64.00 | 25.00 | 50.00 |
| 17. Riprap | 500 s. y. | 4.50 | 2.65 | 5.00 |
| 18. Timber piling | 3,800 l. f. | 1.40 | 1.00 | 2.00 |
| 19. Reset right-of-way monuments | 56 ea. | 1.50 | 2.00 | 5.00 |
| 20. Federal-aid markers | 2 ea. | 6.50 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| 21. High early strength std. gutter for entrances and street connections | 40 l. f. | 4.00 | 1.25 | 2.00 |
| 22. Plain comb. conc. curb and gutter | 11,650 l. f. | 2.40 | 1.35 | 2.00 |
| 23. Special curb drop inlets | 12 ea. | 125.00 | 125.00 | 150.00 |
| 24. Catch basins to be adjusted | 5 ea. | 50.00 | 20.00 | 25.00 |
| 25. Manholes to be adjusted | 10 ea. | 15.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 26. 3-in. wrought iron pipe | 50 l. f. | 4.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 |
| 27. 6-in. wrought iron pipe | 50 l. f. | 5.50 | 1.75 | 3.00 |
| 28. Reflectorized advance warning signs | 6 ea. | 25.00 | 50.00 | 150.00 |
| 29. Subgrade treatment | 100,142 c. y. | 1.30 | 1.75 | 1.00 |
| 30. Soil for grade changes and connections (10-in.) | 22,106 c. y. | 2.00 | 2.95 | 3.00 |
| 31. 6-in. soil for fill and secondary connections | 1,000 c. y. | 2.00 | 2.95 | 3.00 |
| 32. Soil (backfill around forms) | 3,520 c. y. | 2.00 | 2.95 | 3.00 |
| 33. Soil (irreg. out of center strip) | 7,008 c. y. | 2.00 | 2.95 | 3.00 |
| 34. Scarify and reshape exist. 20-ft. center strip | 81,800 s. y. | .15 | .30 | .30 |
| 35. No. 9 stone for entrances | 125 ton | 3.50 | 4.25 | 4.00 |
| 36. 8-in. waterbound macadam for intersect. | 3,100 s. y. | 3.00 | 1.30 | 1.50 |
| 37. RT-3 to RT-11 bituminous mat'l | 4,465 gal. | .20 | .15 | .20 |
| 38. Covering material | 155 ton | 3.50 | 4.25 | 4.00 |
| 39. RT-3 or RT-4 bituminous mat'l | 54,120 gal. | .20 | .15 | .20 |
| 40. RT-5 or RT-6 bituminous mat'l | 81,180 gal. | .20 | .15 | .20 |
| 41. Covering material | 4,871 ton | 3.50 | 4.25 | 4.00 |
| 42. Sand covering material | 1,624 ton | 3.00 | 3.40 | 4.00 |
| 43. 4-ft. by 6-in. conc. median strip | 1,200 l. f. | 2.00 | 1.25 | 2.00 |
| 44. 9-in. plain concrete pavement | 178,596 s. y. | 3.27 | 3.17 | 3.40 |

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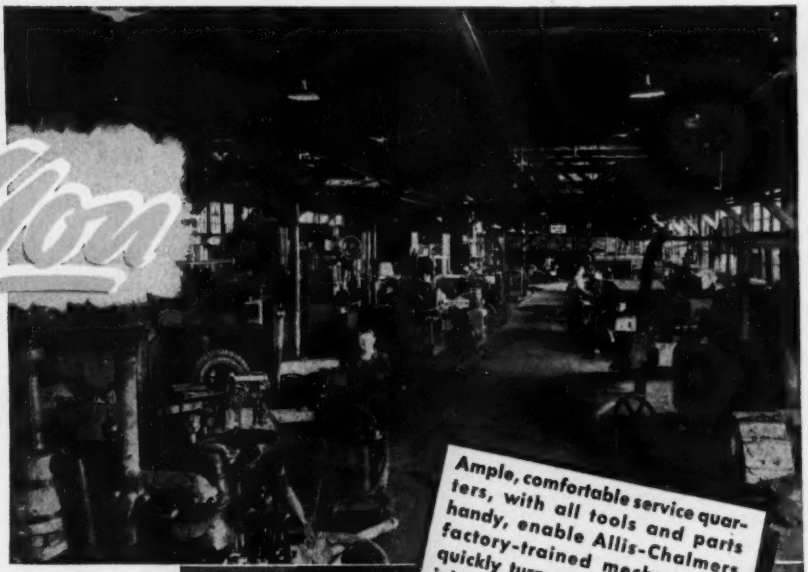

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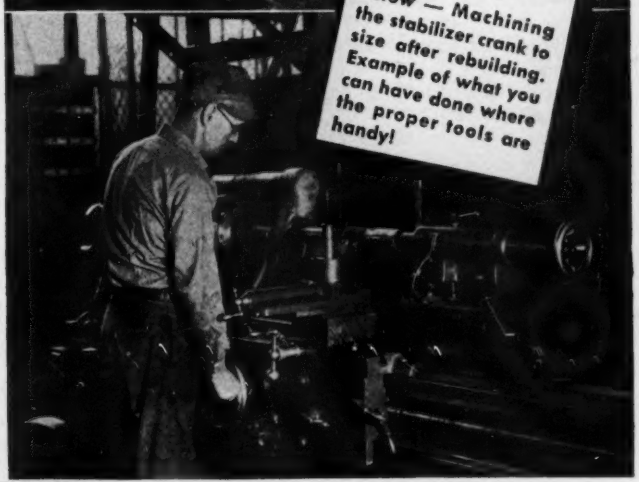

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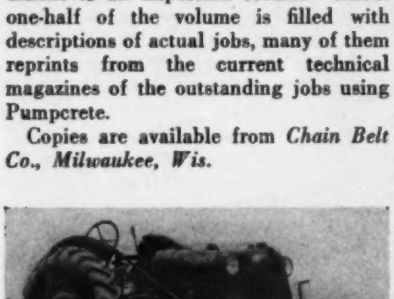

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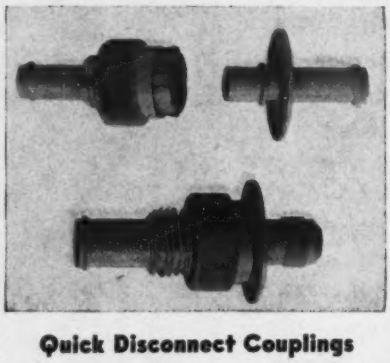

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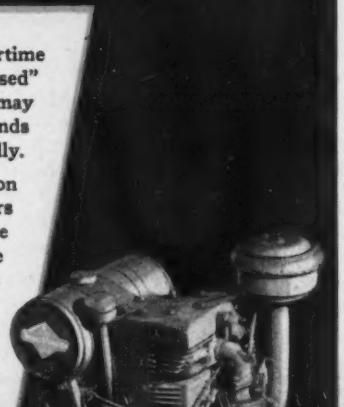

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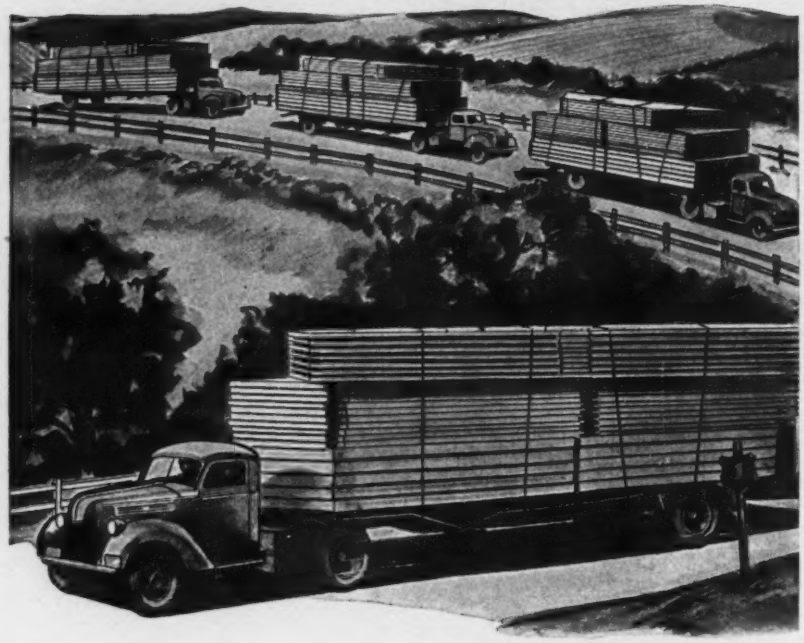

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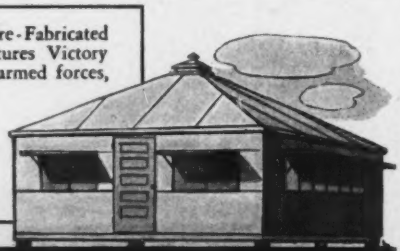

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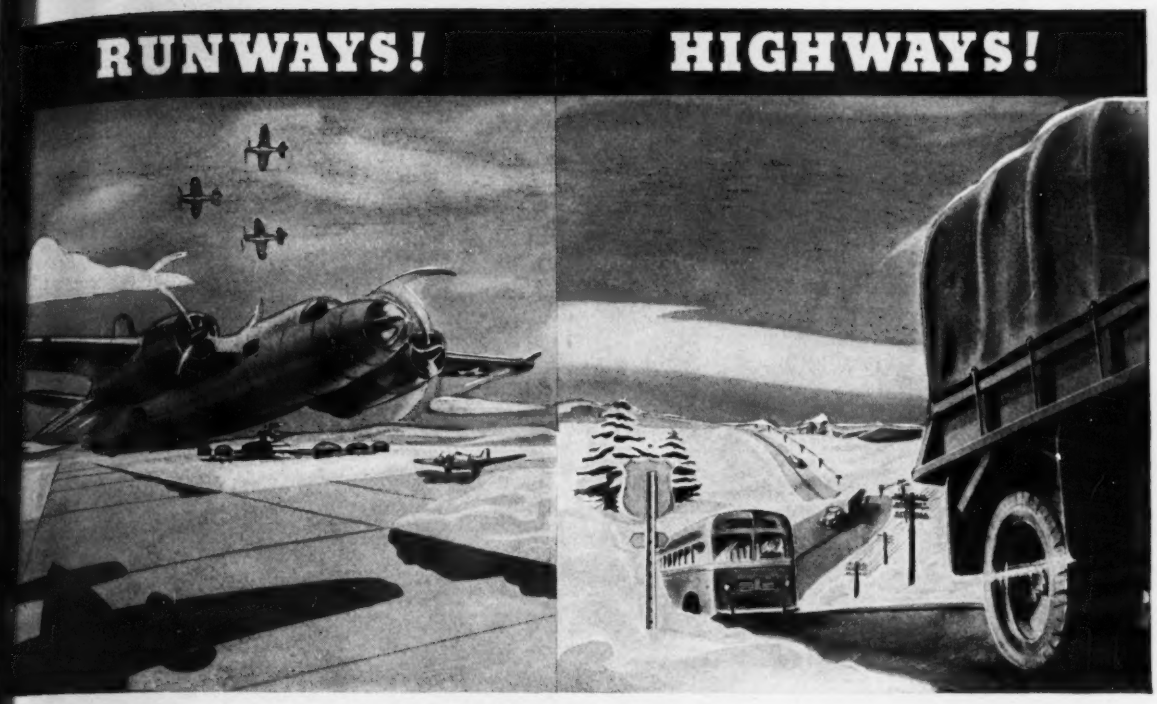


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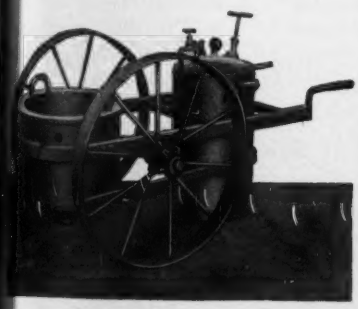

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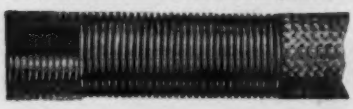

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| Temperatures | To 1000° F | To 450° F. |
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### Use Chart

| | *STEEL | BRONZE |
|---|---|---|
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| Sulphur Bearing Oil | ✓ | |
| Oxygen | | ✓ |
| Ammonia | ✓ | |
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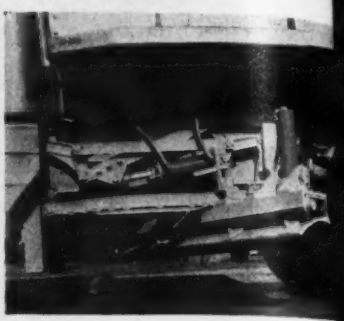

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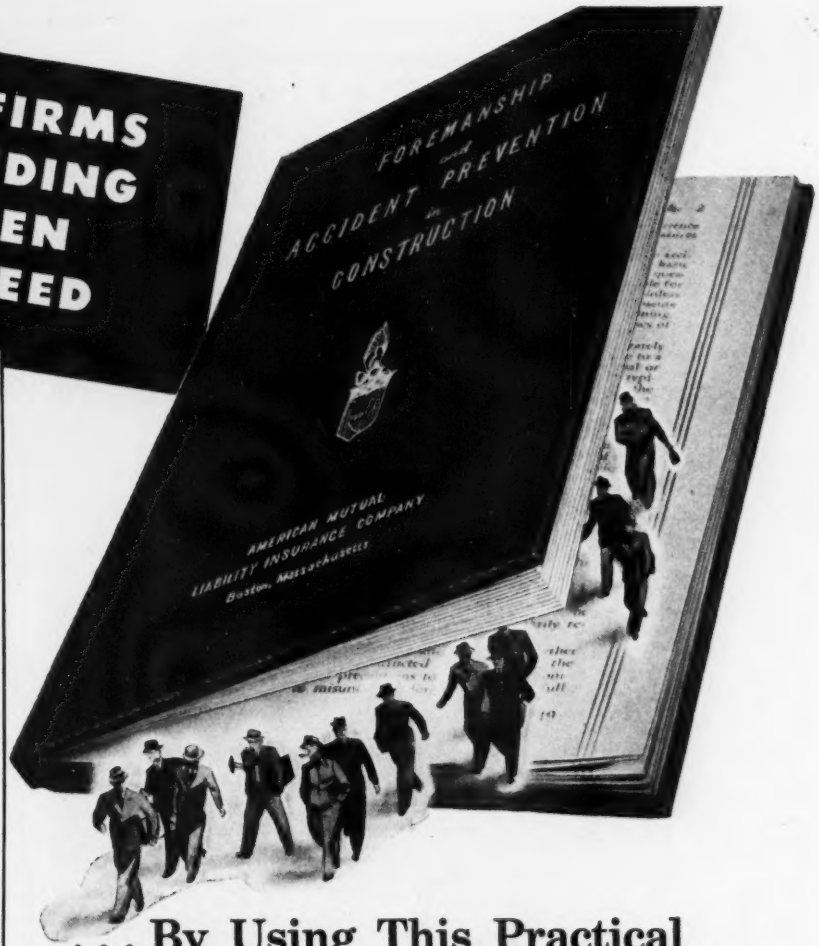


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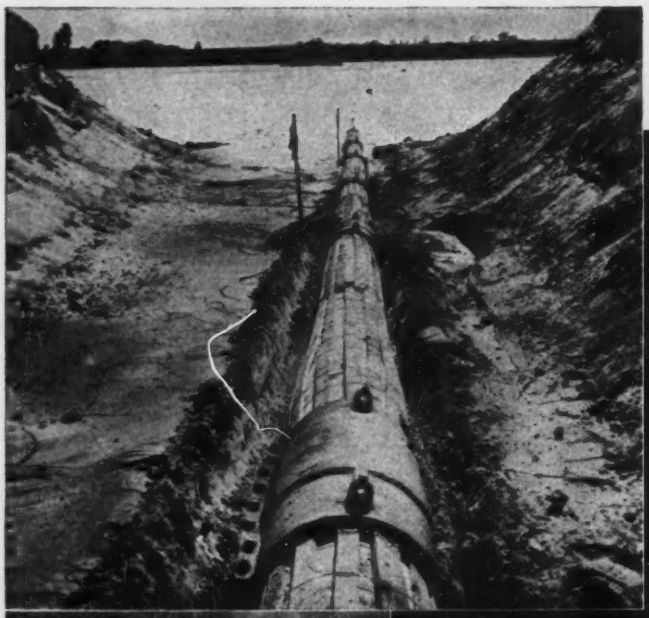

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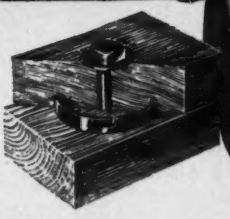

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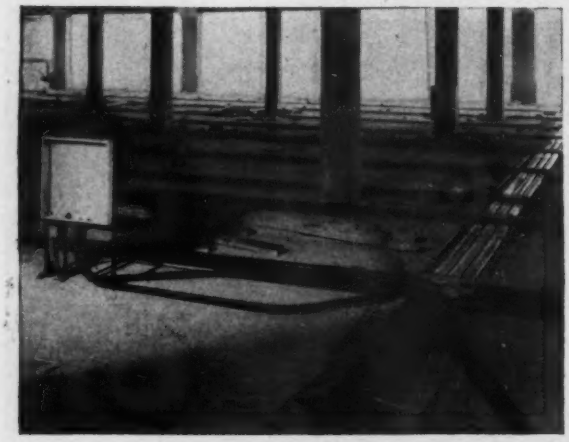

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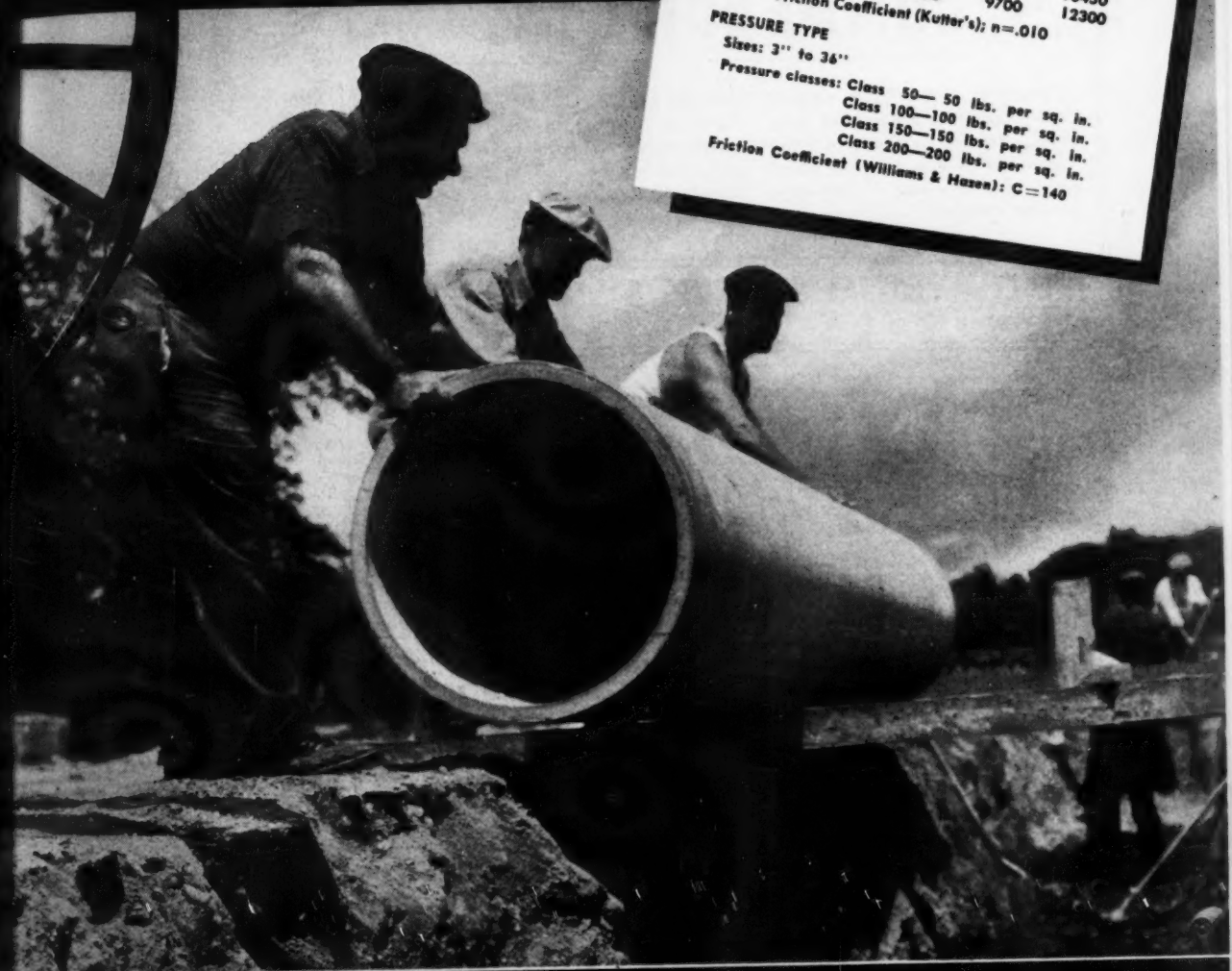

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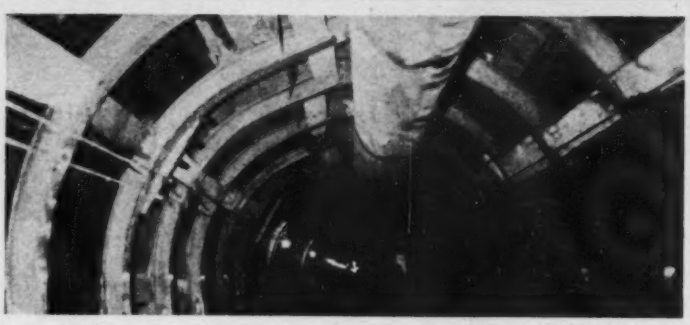

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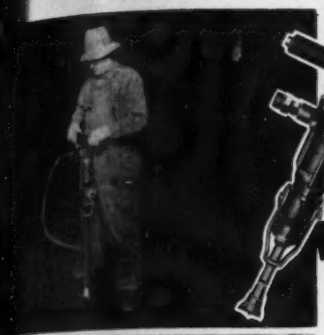

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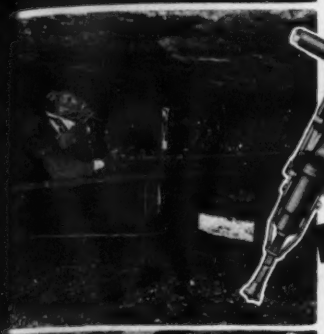

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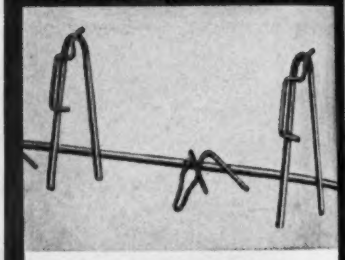

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manager. He was graduated from Cathedral Latin High School in Cleveland in 1922 and started with Steel and Tubes during that same year in the operating department. From the operating department he was transferred to the sales department and was successively salesman, Central District sales manager and division sales manager.

THE COVETED ARMY-NAVY "E" award emblems were conferred upon several hundred employees of the Ilg Electric Ventilating Co., Chicago, in impressive between-shift ceremonies, at the plant on Feb. 11. The picture at left shows Mrs. Minnie Schuster (selected as typical Ilg woman), receiving congratulations from Major Lauris Eek of the U. S. Army Air Force, Chicago, who made the presentation of pins to Ilg employees.

SIGHT LIGHT CORP., Deep River, Conn., has been awarded an Army-Navy "E" for meritorious service on wire production equipment. Lieut. John D. Lodge, USNR, was master of ceremonies and presentation was made by Rear Admiral Wat T. Cluverius, retired. Earl L. Canfield accepted the award for the company.

A. F. MCGRAW has been made general sales manager of the Tractor Div. of the Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., and R. A. Crosby, who has been temporarily loaned to the salvage section of the War Production Board, will become advertising manager.

RALPH G. DETMER, general manager of the American Frog & Switch Co., Hamilton, Ohio, has been elected vice-president of that concern, which is a subsidiary of the Taylor-Wharton Iron & Steel Co. Mr. Detmer studied civil engineering at Ohio Mechanics Institute and in 1914 he joined the Weir Frog Co. as a draftsman, and became chief draftsman in 1920. A year later he entered the employ of the American Frog & Switch Co. as chief draftsman. He was promoted to chief engineer in 1923, to general superintendent in 1928, and to general manager in 1930.

WAR BONDS TO the extent of $650 have been awarded in a nationwide contest designed to reveal to industry the most outstanding methods of salvaging and maintaining machinery under wartime conditions. Sponsored by Metallizing Engineering Co., Inc., Long Island City, N. Y., this is the second of a series of similar contests open to users of any


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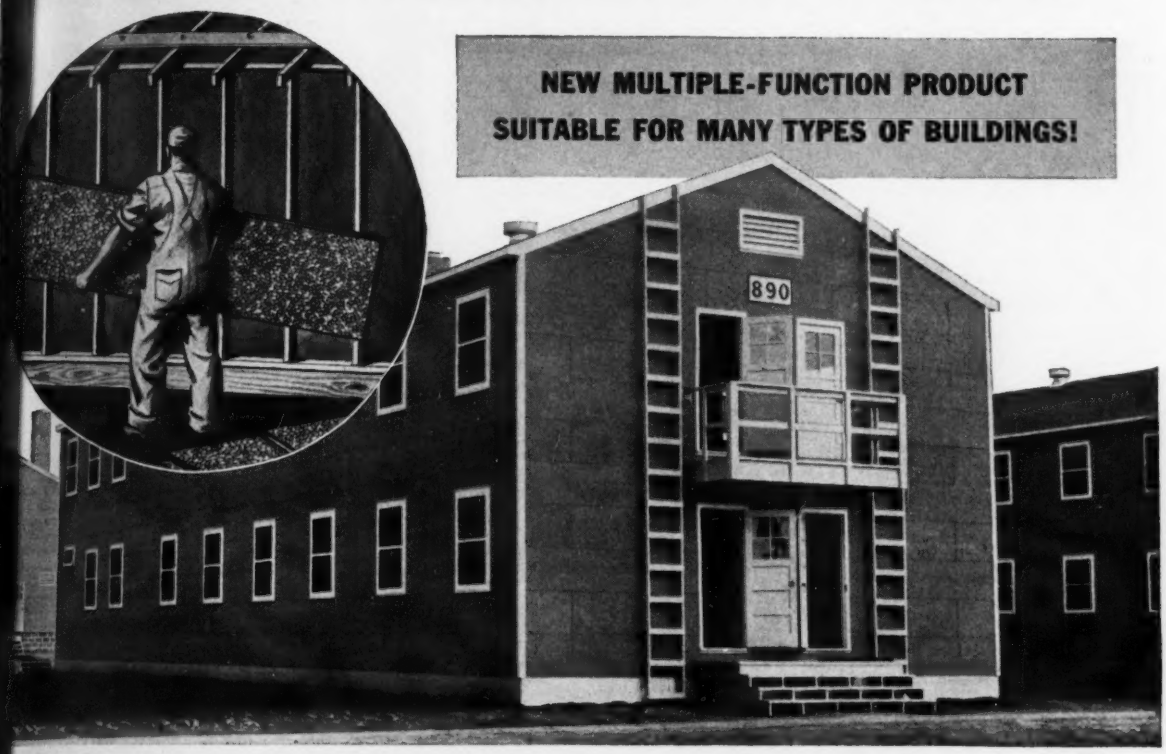


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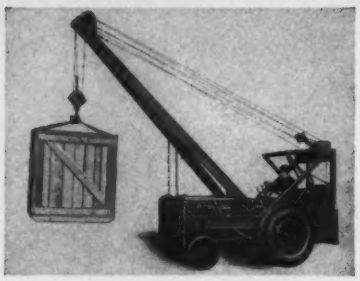

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CHARLES A. CRANE, for many ye... identified with the construction field, ... rejoined Templeton, Kenly & Co., ma... facturers of le... screw and hydra... jacks, as assistant ... the president. H... first job after gra... ating from the U... cago Manual Tra... ing School in 19... was the problem ... building the fa... Simplex lever ja... for the Templ... Company, who at that time were loca... in a small shop on East Ontario St., ... Chicago.

W. MCKEAN WHITE, JR., vice-presid... White Mfg. Co., Elkhart, Inc., has be... given leave of absence and is now ... 2nd Lieutenant in the U. S. Army A... Corps. As of Feb. 12, he was station... at Wendover Field, Utah, as assista... supply and engineering officer of th... 384th Bombardment Group. Merritt ... King has joined the White Mfg. Co. ... assistant to the president. Mr. King ha... had extensive experience in the co... struction machinery industry.

L. P. NIESSEN, widely known adverti... ing man and head of Cutler-Hamme... Inc., Milwaukee, Wis., advertising de... partment, has been elected a director o... the Milwaukee Association of Industri... Advertisers.

SOUTHERN PINE ASSOCIATION officer... elected for the ensuing year are as fo... lows: Paul T. Sanderson, Trinity, Texa... was elected president; W. B. McNei... Hardeeville, S. C., first vice-president; ... Quincy T. Hardtner, Urania, La., 2n... vice-president; W. T. Neal, Brewton, ... Ala., treasurer; and H. C. Berckes, Ne... Orleans, secretary-manager. The direc... tors adopted resolutions of regret and ... esteem in tribute to the members of the ... late A. J. Peavy, of Shreveport, La., and ... Charles Green, Laurel, Miss., who for s... many years were leaders in the Southern ... Pine industry, and whose deaths occurre... since the last regular meeting of the ... Board of Directors.

EARL L. YOUNG, vice-president in ... charge of production, Laminated Shim ... Co., Inc., Glenbrook, Conn., has retired. ... Mr. Young had been with the company ... 22 years, having entered the organization ... on February 1, 1920. The company ... manufactures shims and shim stock, and ... An-cor-Lox self-locking nuts.

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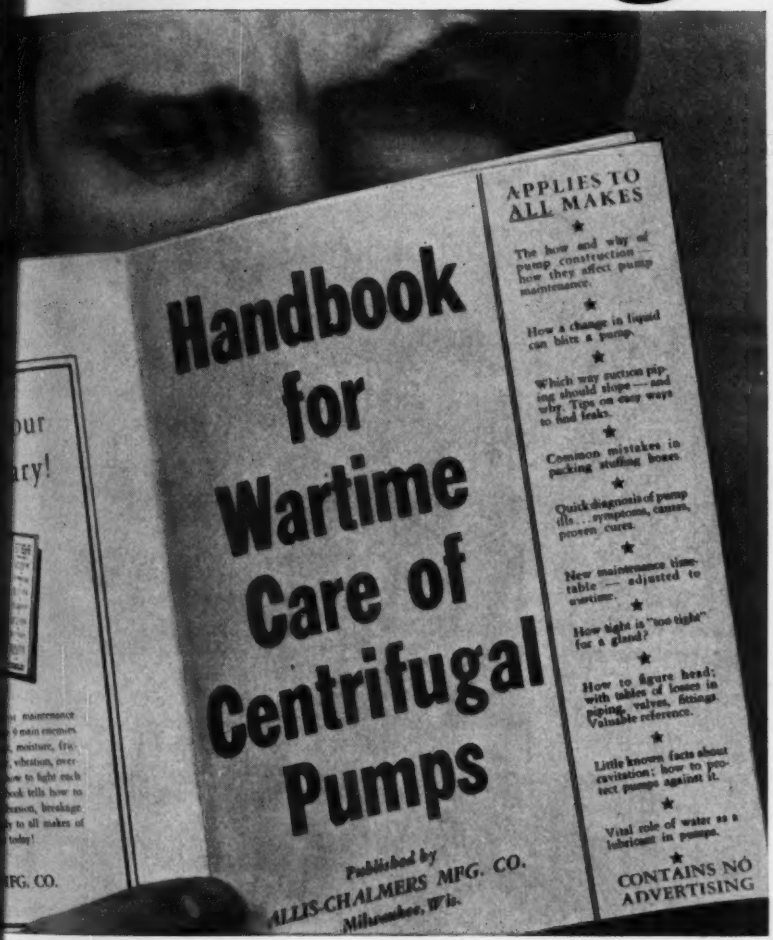
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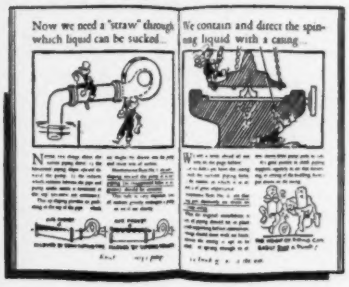


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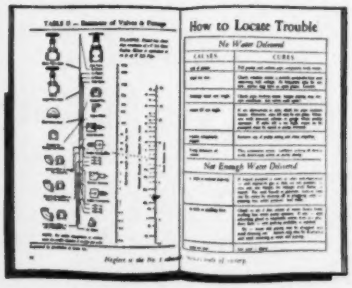


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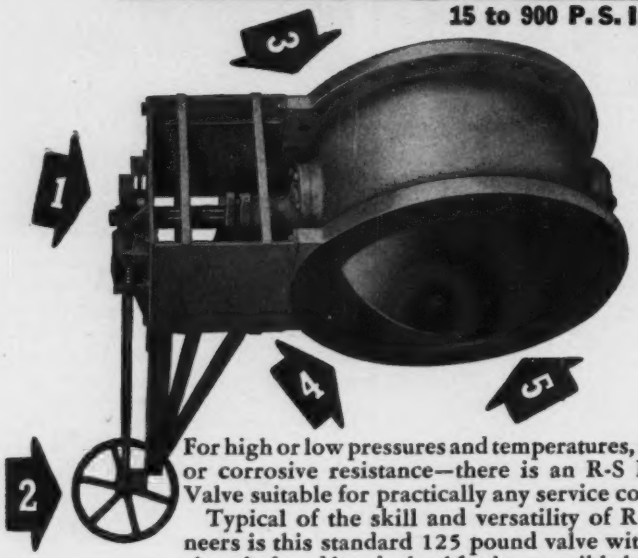


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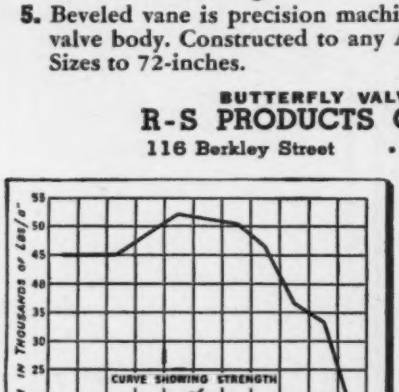


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Ind., manufacturers of diesel engi has been appointed executive consul on Diesel Engine Production to the W Production Board, with headquarters Washington.

L. G. BEAN has been made vice-pre dent in charge of engineering a sales for the Bristol Co., Waterbu Conn., manufacturers of automatic control and recording instruments. His former position was that of vice-president and general sales manager, which he had held since 1939. Mr. Bean was graduated from Worcester Polytechnic Institute with a degree of B.Sc. in 1920. In 1921 became district manager of the co pany's Boston District; in 1925 he w made Chicago District Manager; and 1930 he returned to Waterbury as ass ant chief engineer. In 1935 he was a pointed sales manager, later becom vice-president and then appointed ge eral sales manager.

HARRY E. BEANE has been named Sal Manager of the Bristol Co. He join the Bristol Sales Engineering Organiz tion in 1930, and in 1935 was appointed district manager of the company's Birmingham, Ala., office. In 1930 he became district manager of the Pittsburgh District, and in 1936 was promoted to Field Sales Manager to supervise activities of the company's branch factories at Ch cago, Akron, and San Francisco, and supervise the work of the company's di trict managers, sales engineers, and ser ice engineers distributed throughout th country.

E. L. Stilson has been named assista sales manager. Since 1940, Mr. Stilso has been associated with the Field Eng neering Department with headquarte at Waterbury.

THE MASONITE CORP., Laurel, Miss. was awarded the Army-Navy "E" Pro duction Award on Feb. 24. The cer monies in connection with the awar were broadcast over a nation-wi hookup over the blue network.

JAMES GRISWOLD BLUNT, assistant t James E. Davenport, vice-president i charge of engineering of the Americ Locomotive Company, died in Schene tady, N. Y., on February 15. Mr. Blu was 74 years old. Many devices for me

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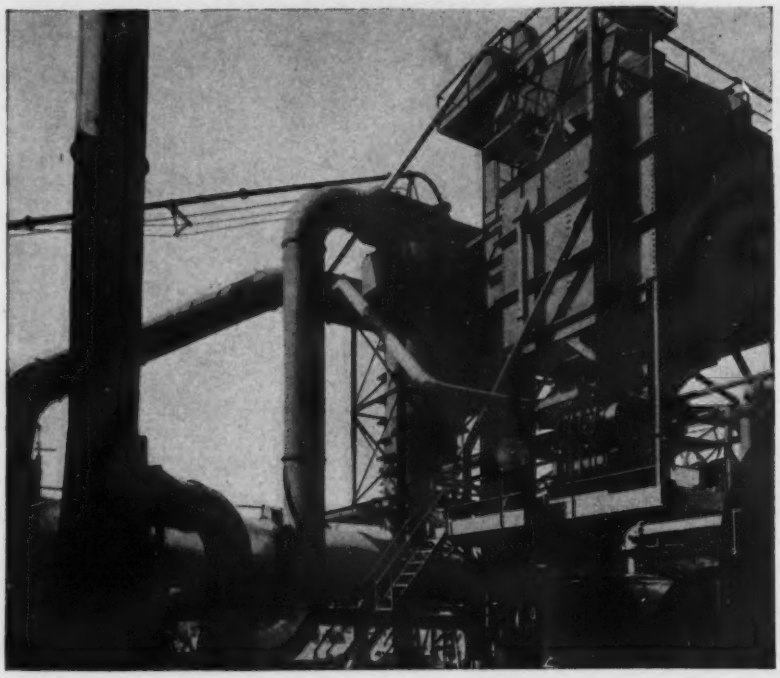

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WILLIAM R. JACKSON has been na
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Moines Steel Co., succeeding George
Smith, who is retiring from the comp
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Jackson has been appointed assis
secretary-treasurer, and A. B. Sander
has been elected a director of
company.

ROY A. HUNT, president of Alumi
Co. of America, has announced that a
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tered into with the Government, Al
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CLARENCE M. STEELE, senior mem
of James C. Steele & Sons, manufactu
of heavy machinery, died Feb. 16
Statesville, N. C. He was 70 years
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TIMOTHY J. LYNCH, for more than
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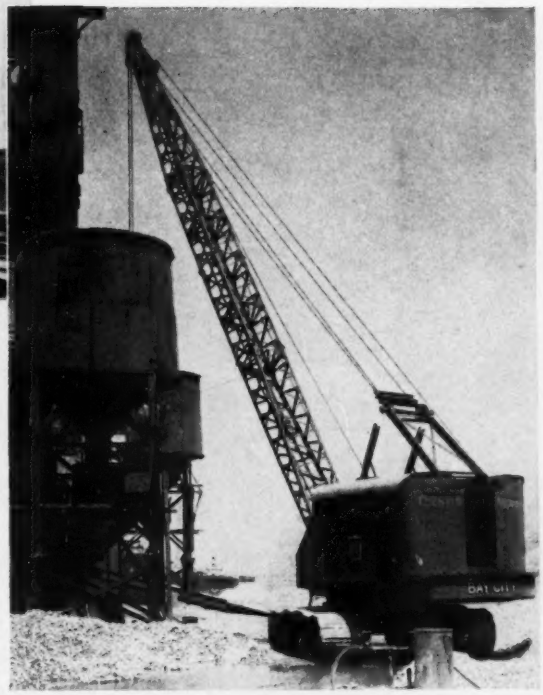

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| Handle (ft.) | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 16 | 16 | 11 | 11 | 13 | 13 |
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| Trench Hoe—weight | 20,000 | 26,500 | 30,500 | 42,300 | 46,100 | 66,000 | 73,000 | 35,100 | 39,200 | 49,100 | 52,600 |
| Boom (ft.) | 14 | 15 | 17 | 19 | 19 | 21 | 21 | 15 | 15 | 19 | 19 |
| Handle (ft.) | 4′–7″ | 5′–1″ | 5′–1″ | 7 | 7 | 8′–2″ | 8′–2″ | 5′–1″ | 5′–1″ | 7 | 7 |
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| Power—H.P. | 46 | 54 | 54 | 78 | 78 | 98 | 114 | 53 | 54 | 67 | 81 |
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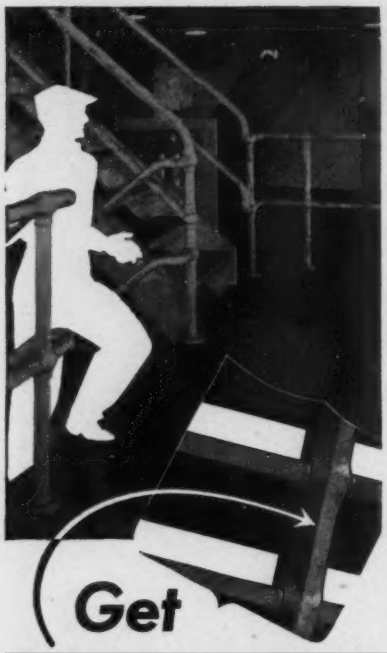

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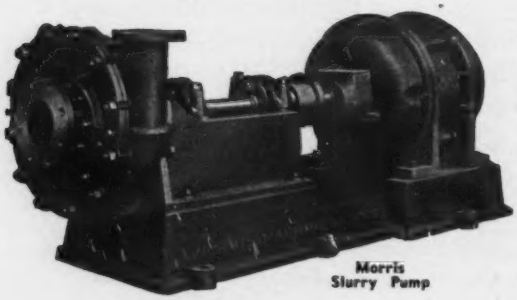

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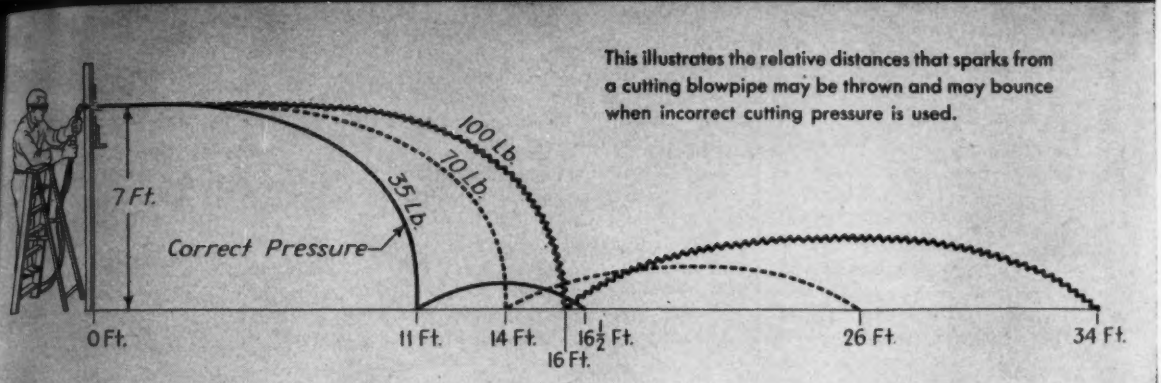


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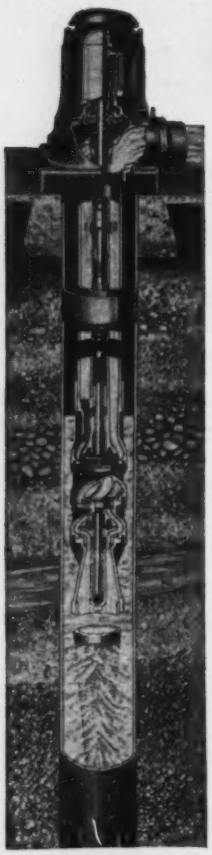

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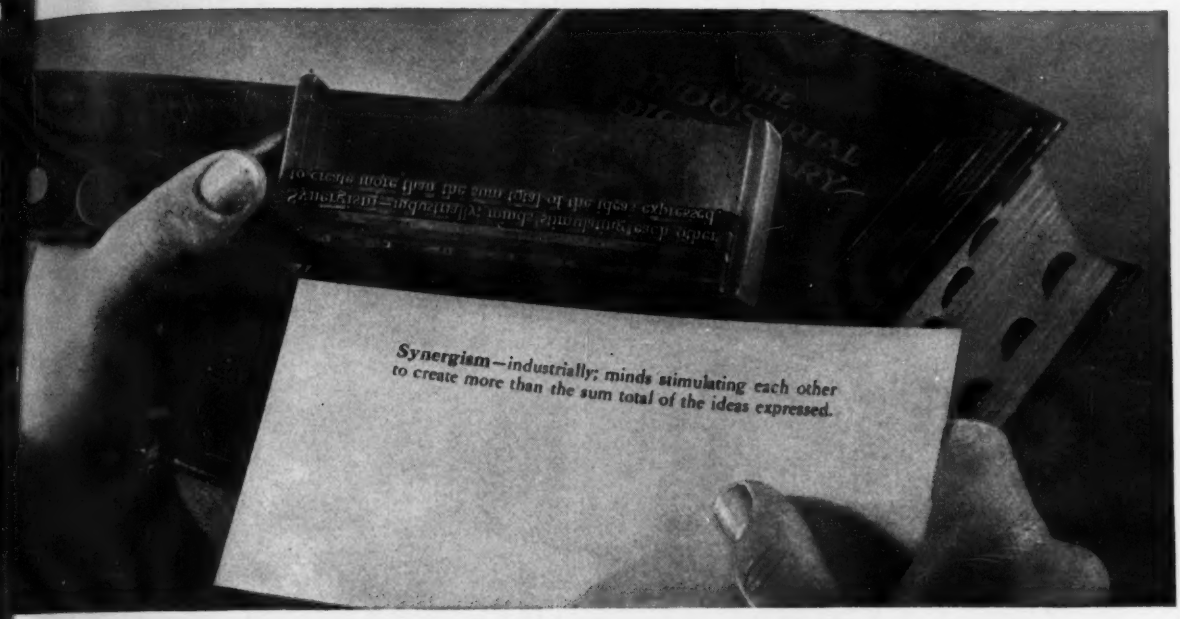


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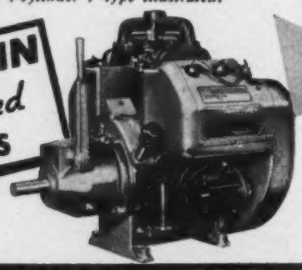

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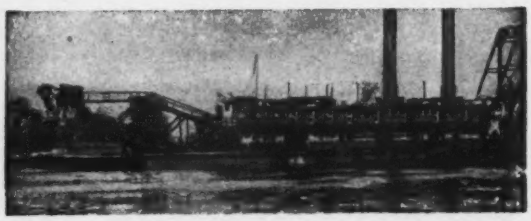

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**Charles Pfeiffer,** city engineer Oswego, N. Y., has resigned to ac a position with the city of East Au N. Y.

**Lewis H. McDannold** has been a head of the municipally owned w plant at Versailles, Ky.

**Lieut. Col. Stewart A. Marshall,** formerly area engineer of the Colum S. C. area, has been elevated to position of regional director of rep and utilities in the South Atlantic vision. Colonel Marshall will have office at Memphis, Tenn., and will sup vise the activities of post engineers all stations in western Tennessee, nor ern Alabama and northern Mississip He is succeeded by **Maj. George Svoboda,** formerly area engineer at Sh Field and also at the Congaree base. The offices at Congaree, No and Columbia Army Air Base will consolidated with the Fort Jackson o under the supervision of Maj. Svobo whose headquarters will be located Fort Jackson, S. C.

**Norman Hebden,** executive director the American Public Works Associati has been granted leave of absence accept an appointment as a major the army. On Feb. 16 he reported duty with the protection branch, Sin Civilian Defense Region, Chicago.

**Lieut. Col. John H. Peil** is now distri engineer at Rock Island, Ill., for t Corps of Engineers. Colonel Peil h been employed in the Rock Island Di trict for several years, including a num ber years in a civilian capacity. Co **Wm. J. Matteson,** until recently distri engineer, has been re-assigned in th Corps of Engineers.

**Lee T. Grider,** of Los Angeles, Cal., fo many years general superintendent fo Bent Brothers, Inc., has been mad project manager for the West Construc tion Co. (reported in *ENR*, Feb. 4, a the Western Construction Co.) on th second Nisqually power development fo the city of Tacoma, Wash.

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**Ralph Burch,** Cedar Rapids, Iowa, h accepted a position as a construct engineer on an airport job in Kentuc

**Roy L. Clark,** Des Moines, Iowa, of t consulting engineering firm of Nemm & Clark, has joined the War Product Board's Iowa staff.

**Carlton R. Mueller** is now employed the office of the U. S. Engineer Davenport, Iowa.

**Charles T. Turner,** Little Rock, Ar has entered the navy as Lieut., (j.g Civil Engineering Corps. He was f merly with the Materials and Tests D partment of the Arkansas State Hig way Department for several years, las accepting a position with the Gregor Hogan Contracting Co., of Little Roc

**Manuel Santos,** C. E. and P. E., assista chief engineer for the building constru tion firm of Iglehart, Caldwell & Scot Inc., on their Stewart Field contract West Point, N. Y., has become assista engineer in the Corps of Engineers, l cated at Stewart Field, West Point, N. Y

**Harold J. A. Chambers,** for the pas three years chief engineer of the Hamil ton Bridge Co. Limited, structural stee firm of Hamilton, Ont., has been ap pointed general manager of the firm. Mr Chambers is a graduate in civil engineer ing of the University of Toronto, and took his master's degree in engineering at the same university.

**Richard N. Hunter,** formerly of Char lotte, N. C., who for the past 22 months has been serving as purchasing agent for contractors working on the Marine base at New River, N. C., has just been commissioned a lieutenant, (j.g.), in the U. S. Naval Reserve (CEC), and is now stationed at Norfolk, Va.

**John Anthony Volpe,** Malden, Mass., owner of Volpe Construction Co., en tered the armed services Feb. 15, as a lieutenant, (j.g.), U. S. Naval Re serves (CEC), and is now stationed at the naval construction training center, Naval Operating Base, Norfolk, Va.

**H. G. Baity** arrived in Rio de Janeiro at the end of February to begin his duties as chief engineer of the Brazilian field unit of the Public Health and Sanitation Division of the Office of Inter-American Affairs. Dr. Baity is on leave of absence from the School of Public Health, University of North Carolina.

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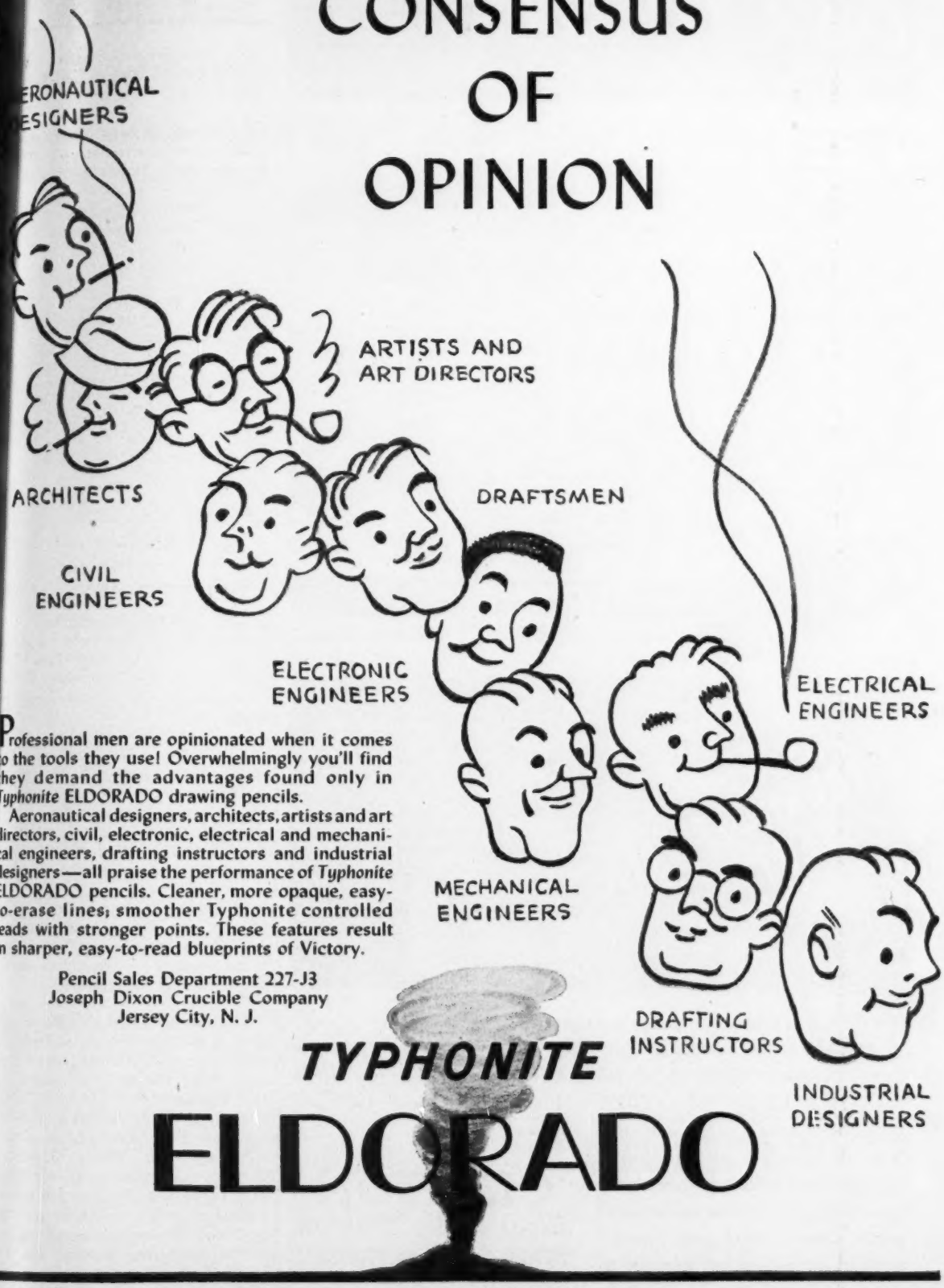


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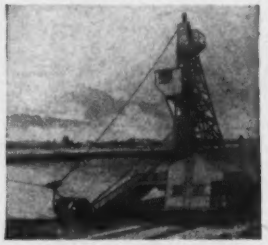

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## MEETINGS

MINNESOTA SECTION, AMERICAN W... WORKS ASSOCIATION, Minneapolis, M... March 12–13.

NEW JERSEY SEWAGE WORKS ASSO... TION, war conference, Stacy-Trent H... Trenton, N. J., March 25–26.

NEW YORK SECTION, AMERICAN W... WORKS ASSOCIATION, Spring War-... ference Meeting, Hotel Syracuse, S... cuse, N. Y., March 25–26.

ARKANSAS ENGINEERS CLUB, in joint ... sion with Little Rock Engineers C... Mid-South Section, American Society ... Civil Engineers, and Arkansas Society ... Registered Professional Engineers, L... Rock, Ark., March 26–27.

PACIFIC-NORTHWEST SECTION, AMERI... WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION, Bellingh... Wash., May 7–8.

## Elections and Activities

C. W. PHILLIPS, highway commissio... of Tennessee, has been elected presid... of the Southeastern Association of St... Highway Officials, succeeding W. Va... Baise, Raleigh, N. C., state highway e... gineer.

THE ILLINOIS SOCIETY OF ENGINEE... at its annual meeting in January, he... at Decatur, Ill., elected as president ... W. Wallace, Chicago; vice-president, ... H. Morgan, Urbana, Ill.; secretary, H. ... Babbitt, Urbana, Ill. Some 108 membe... of the organization attended the meeti...

FRANK F. FOWLE, consulting engine... Chicago, has been elected president ... the Illinois Engineering Council, whi... is composed of representatives of seven ... technical state organizations.

WALTER W. GRAF was elected pre... dent of the Ohio Society of Professiona... Engineers at their recent annual mee... ing. Other officers for the ensuing ye... are: vice-presidents, Thomas W. Rolph ... of Newark, and Eddie Fox of Cincinnati; ... treasurer, J. R. Shank of Columbus, an... secretary, Herb Morris of Sandusky. ... Watches were presented to retiring pres... dent Prexy Kennedy and past presiden... Kammerer. The meeting was attended ... by 302 of the Society's membership. On... of the interesting features was a talk ... by E. J. Bisiker, British Vice Counsul ... of Cleveland, who described the devasta... tion he saw in London after the Blitz. ... S. S. Wyer gave a stimulating set ...

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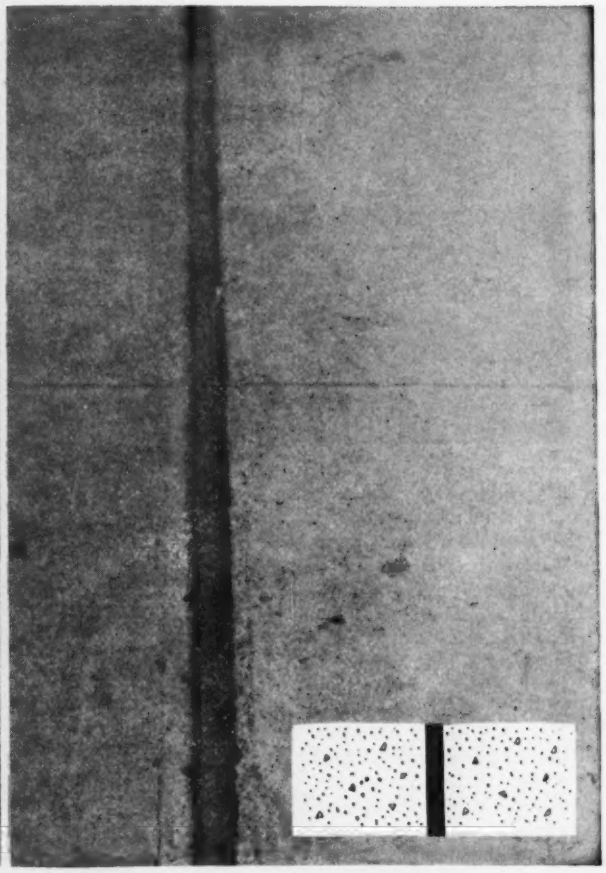

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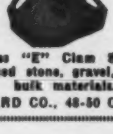

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AT A RECENT MEETING of the Vir... section, American Society of Civil E... neers, the following officers were ele... William R. Glidden, Richmond, he... engineer for the Virginia State High... Department, was elected presiden... succeed E. S. Thomas of Roanoke; T... Robey, Norfolk, first vice-presid... Richard Messer, Richmond, second ... president, R. A. Marr, Jr., Virginia ... tary Institute, third vice-president, ... R. A. Rice, Richmond, secretary-tr... urer. Life memberships in the nati... society were presented to George ... Jones, assistant engineer of the Virg... Bridge Co., Roanoke; Joseph E. C... ford, retired vice-president of the ... folk & Western Railway; Franklin ... Turner, principal assistant engineer ... the Norfolk & Western Railway, and R... well D. Trimble, Richmond, consult... engineer.

SPEAKING BEFORE a recent meeting ... the Engineers Society of Western Pe... sylvania, meeting jointly with the Pi... burgh section of the American Society ... Civil Engineers, and the Society ... American Military Engineers, Maj. G... Eugene Reybold, Chief of Engineers, ... S. Army, told members of the Soci... that the system of flood control dams ... operation in this area paid $15,000,0... to Pittsburgh and $14,000,000 for l... down-river industrial centers, in 36-f... year-end flood. In an interesting ... dress, he told of the work of the Ame... can Army Engineer units along the b... tlefronts of the world.

THE ENGINEERS CLUB, of Mobile, Al... at its regular meeting last month, elec... the following officers for the year 194... Louis D'Olive was elected presiden... W. W. Porter, vice-president; E. ... Schettler, secretary-treasurer; Leon L... sen, director of Public relations, a... J. C. Brown, director of membership.

THE ENGINEERS' CLUB of Vicksbur... Miss., at its annual meeting, elected t... following officers: James E. Sande... president; T. E. Stepan, vice-presiden... E. H. Courtney, secretary-treasure... D. O. Cole, director of administrati... and finance; P. E. Cunningham, direct... of professional and educational acti... ties; Samuel B. Shields, director of pu... lic relations and membership; Bert Lin... ley, director of welfare, and A. E. Dea... director of entertainment.

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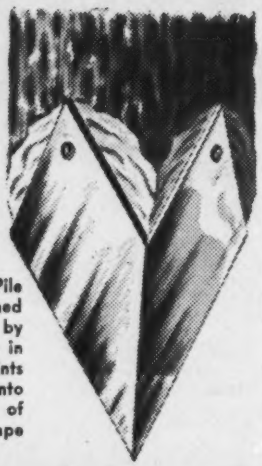

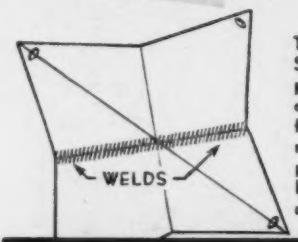


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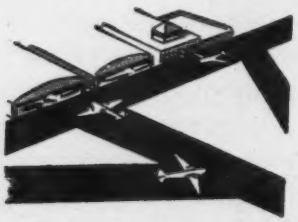

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two interesting talks on the Alcan H... way recently, when Lieut. Col. R... Schilsky, of the U. S. Engineer C... gave an illustrated talk before the ... nois Association of Highway Engin... and Harold W. Richardson, We... editor of Engineering News-Record, ... dressed a special meeting of the Co... Illinois Section, American Society ... Civil Engineers, on the same subject.

A War Time Conference of ... Minnesota Federation of Engineer... Societies was held last month. The ... nual meetings of the Minnesota As... ciation of Professional Engineers ... the Minnesota Engineers' & Surveyo... Society, which are constituent socie... of the Federation, were held at the sa... time. Among the feature subjects ... cussed at this meeting was the Al... Highway; Steel for Factories by ... Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp.; Engine... ing Education in War Times, by Sam... C. Lind, Dean of the Institute of Te... nology, University of Minnesota; Lat... Developments in Plastic by the Bake... Corporation of Chicago; Great North... techni-color movies of Railway Tra... portation in the Northwest; Wire a... Wire Rope Manufacture and Testi... by Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.; ... techni-color picture taken undergro... by the Ingersoll-Rand Co. of the C... tinental Divide Tunnel; Air Transport... tion, by the chief engineer of the Nor... west Air Lines, and War Time Activit... of the Corps of Engineers, by Lieut. C... Hibert M. Hill.

There was a registration of 570. T... name of the Minnesota's Federation ... Architectural Engineering Society w... changed to the Minnesota Federation ... Engineering Societies, the architects ha... ing dropped out of the organization.

Officers elected for the ensuing ye... by the Minnesota Federation of Engine... ing Societies were: Leonard N. Thomp... son, president; Charles Foster, first vic... president; C. A. Herrick, second vic... president; Glenn B. Lerch, third vic... president, and Myron L. Jones, treasure...

The officers elected by the Minneso... Association of Professional Engineer... were: R. R. Herrmann, president; N. T... Rykken, vice-president; S. L. Stolt... secretary, and Ray Deegan, treasurer.

Officers elected by the Minnesota Su... veyors & Engineers Society were: Myro... L. Jones, president; H. G. Nicholson, ... vice-president, and Walter Schult... secretary-treasurer.

The Engineers Club of Philadelphia, ... at its regular monthly meeting in Febru... ary, presented the Charles E. Dilli... Award to three of its junior members. ... The prize, named in honor of the club's ... first secretary, was given to Clayton R. ... Cramer, Philadelphia Navy Yard; Her... bert J. Bernstein, Cramp's Shipbuilding

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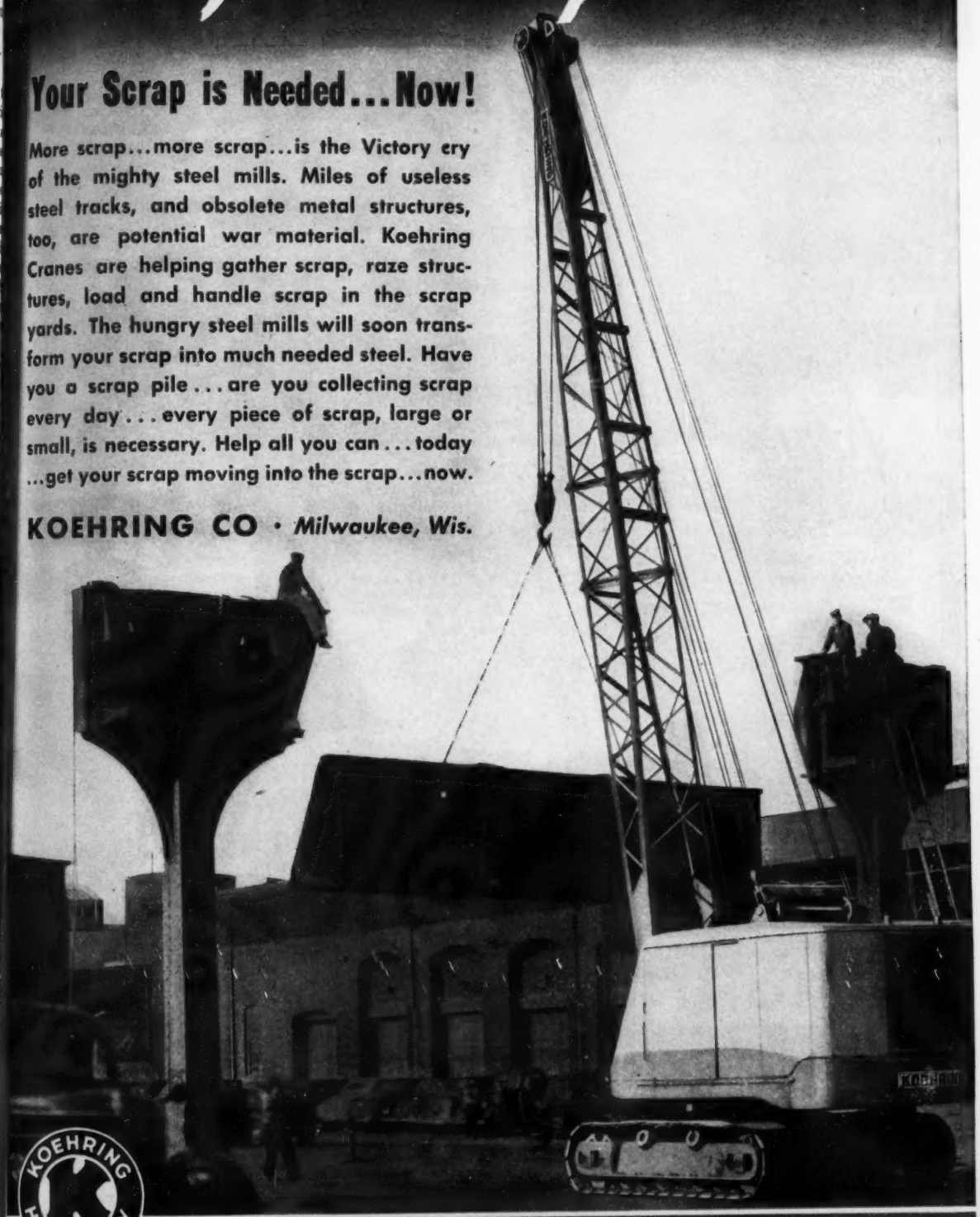

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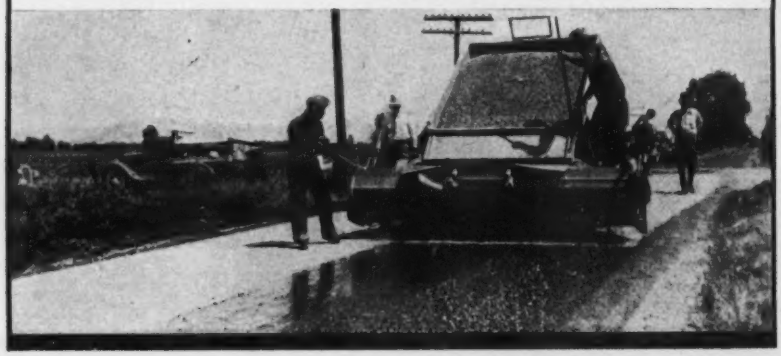



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GORDON McL PITTS was re-elec president at the annual meeting of t Royal Architects Institute of Cana held at McGill University, Montreal.


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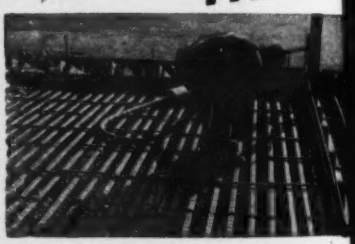

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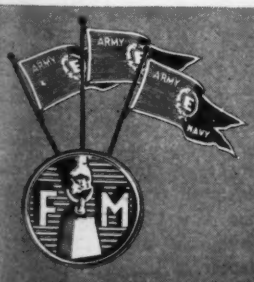


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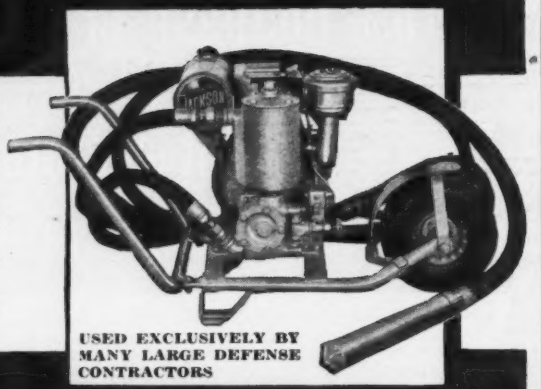

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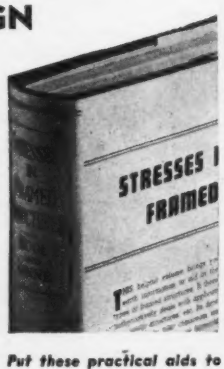


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## NEWS OF THE WEEK

(*Continued from p.* 91)

### *Bill would limit engineer posts to licensees*

Only licensed engineers would be proved for appointment as county highway superintendents, county engineers, city engineers under terms of a bill troduced recently in the New York State Senate by Senator Thomas C. Desmond of Newburgh.

"This bill," he said, "provides that person hereafter appointed county superintendent of highways, county engineer, city engineer or to any similar position in New York State shall be a duly censed professional engineer. At present a number of laymen are employed in these technical positions. The proposed law would not affect those who hold such positions on June 30, 1943, and are in office continuously thereafter."

### *Kentucky county tests right to tax river transport*

The Campbell County, Ky., Board of Equalization recently filed a valuation assessment of $558,800 against three river transportation companies, thus setting the stage for a court fight to determine whether a county can assess transport companies for use of the Ohio River within the county's boundaries.

County Attorney Stanley Moebus explained that the assessments were determined by dividing the assessed valuation of the companies by the mileage of river front in Campbell County. The assessments were made against the Island Creek Fuel & Transportation Company of Huntington, W. Va., which was assessed $252.400; the Ohio-Kanawha Transportation Company of Cincinnati, $154,000, and the Ohio River Company of Cincinnati, $152,400.

Attorneys for the three companies charged that the assessment was illegal because the companies own the barges and haul their own products; and that the right to tax personal property on a navigable stream did not exist.

### *Mexico City abandons air raid shelter plans*

Plans under consideration by the city government of Mexico City for the establishment of air raid shelters as part of a public works program have been abandoned, according to Mayor Javier Rojo Gomez.

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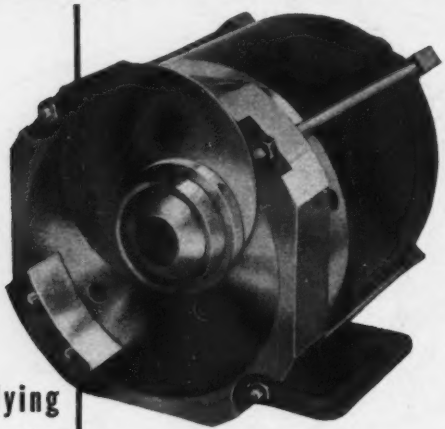

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### *Ontario sees increased power demand for 1943*

The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, Canada, expects a net increase in demand of between 60,000 and 120,000 hp. over present demand, by December, 1943, for the Southern Ontario Systems, Dr. T. H. Hogg, chairman and chief engineer to the Commission, said in a recent speech.

Addressing a special joint session of the Ontario Municipal Electric Association and the Association of Municipal Electrical Utilities in Toronto, Dr. Hogg said the range in primary demand will run between 2,017,000 to 2,077,000 hp. He added that the dependable generating capacity, including additions to be made during the year, would be 2,030,000 hp., although under favorable water conditions this figure might reach 2,070,000 hp.

On the basis of average demands and dependable capacity, a shortage of 13,000 to 20,000 hp. was indicated for next winter, although the engineer said that on a total power output of over two million horsepower, estimates carried to this degree could be approximate only.

"Restrictions of power use, now in effect in Ontario, and voluntary restrictions of domestic power use, must continue," Dr. Hogg said.

Discussing plans for the coming year, he said the Commission expects to bring into use 65,000 hp. from the new De Cew Falls station, and that improved conditions created by the new Niagara Falls weir would add about 20,000 hp. to power generated at the Niagra Falls plants. During 1942, the Commission brought into use 129,000 additional horsepower, including 75,000 hp. purchased from the Maclaren and Beauharnois Companies in Quebec and 54,000 generated at the new station at Barrett Chute on the Madawaska River.

### *Plan construction of 97 roads for access to timber*

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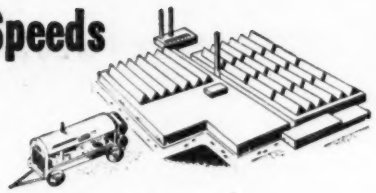

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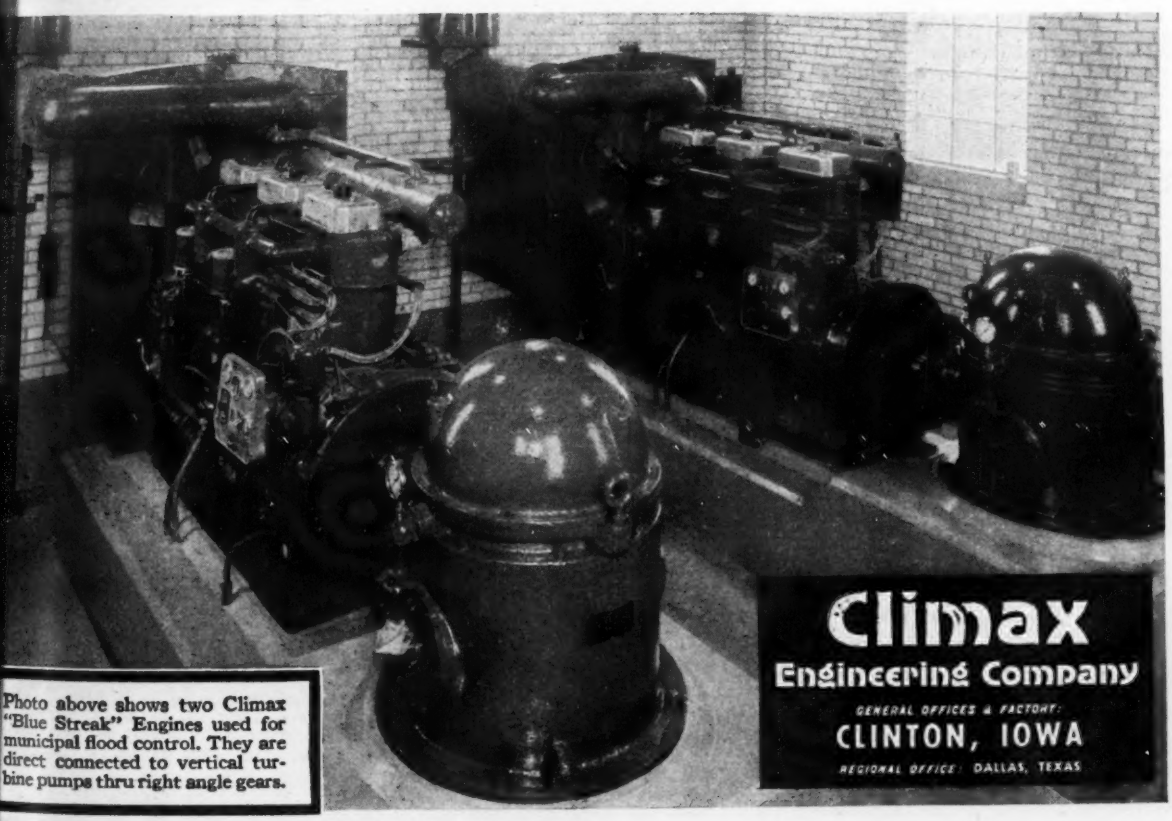

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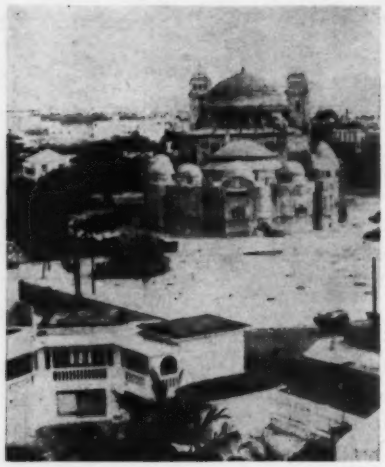

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The 97 access road projects have been approved by the War Production Board and funds amounting to $2,694,963 have been allotted by the Public Roads Administration. These roads will include 33 timber access roads for a total of 558 miles, and 64 mine access roads totalling 652 miles.

Allotment for roads by states are: Alabama, $17,200; Arizona, $66,300; California, $661,345; Colorado, $77,500; Idaho, $486,730; Minnesota, $42,320; Montana, $195,943; Nevada, $91,850; New Mexico, $160,300; Oregon, $463,175; Utah, $17,400, and Washington, $414,900.

## BRIEF NEWS

ALTHOUGH the approaches are not finished, a new bridge across Gulpha Creek to facilitate traffic to aid defense plant southeast of Hot Springs, Ark. has been opened to traffic.

STREET railway tracks in Staunton, Va. are to be removed and become the property of the Metal Reserve Corp., city manager W. L. Hall announced recently.

CLOSURE has been made on the Norfolk Dam, and the creation of the largest clearwater mountain lake in the South has started. Water already has spread out over the bottom just above the dam, and the swift river is backed up four and a half miles and is gaining space rapidly. The lower part of the dam basin has been cleared to take care of water, and clearing work above is moving rapidly. The closure was made when the South side of the dam was completed recently.

AN INVESTMENT of about $825,000 has been arranged by the Mexican government for construction of a military city at Tampico, according to General Anacleto Guerrero, commander of the Tampico, army zone. Work is scheduled to begin within 60 days.

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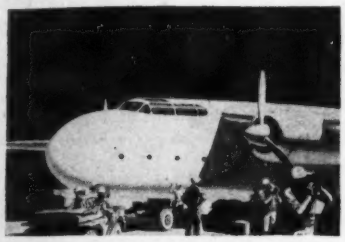

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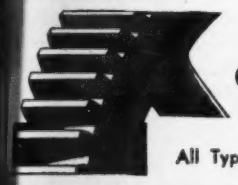

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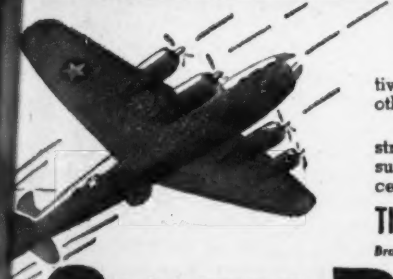

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plans approved in Washington, accord to E. W. Hale, chairman of the Sh County Commission. The municipa now has no sewerage system, and wit current increase in its population h been hard pressed to find means of d posing of material. The contempla work would cost $105,000.

ABOUT 100,000 ft. of flexible w pipe, developed by the Armco Drain Products Association as a substitute steel has been installed in drainage c verts, storm sewers and conduits un highways and at army camps, naval s tions, airfields and ordnance plants, War Production Board Conservation vision said recently.

THE WAR PRODUCTION Board has quested Milwaukee, Wis., city offici to empower Walter Swietlik, comm sioner of public works, to negotiate the removal of the remaining street tracks buried in city streets. The WP reportedly proposes either to pick up rails itself or to have the city do it a share the cost. About 1,100 tons of t already have been removed but an es mated 2,300 tons still remain beneat the pavements.

A BILL has been introduced in th Oregon State Legislature that would re quire contractors on state and municip projects to given Oregon-produced buil ing materials preference. The measu would require contractors to demand a ternate bids in all cases where Orego construction materials are available an to use the Oregon products when the price is no more than 5 per cent highe except in the case of sand, gravel, c ment and other common materials, whi would have preference over materials equal price.

THE LARGEST map ever made of Mex ico, result of 20 years of work by Pedr G. Sanchez, a government civil engineer has just been completed by the Mexica Ministry of Agriculture. The first cop of the map was presented to the Mexica Society of Geography and Statistics.

WORK orders issued by the Californi State Division of Highways for construc tion and maintenance operations reache a total of $55,420,800 during 1942. C. E Purcell, director of public works an nounced recently.

CONSTRUCTION of a hospital for the ex clusive use of about 14,000 employees o the Mexico City government has bee approved. Guillermo Aguilar Alvarez, di rector general of the city public work department, has been assigned to draf plans for the institution, which will cos an estimated $210,000.

# CONSTRUCTION REPORTS

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***Projects—By Size***

Construction projects here reported cover the United States and Canada, are of these minimum sizes or larger; water supply, earthwork, waterworks, $15,000; other public works, $25,000; industrial buildings, $40,000; other buildings, $150,000.

***Classes of Construction***

(Named in order of Listing)

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| Water Supply | Unclassified |
| Sewers, Waste Disposal | Latin America |
| Bridges, Grade Cross'gs | Public Buildings |
| Streets & Roads | Commercial Buildings |
| Earthwork, Waterways | Industrial Buildings |

***Stages Reported***

**PROPOSED: (except Streets & Roads):**

**BIDS ASKED (new announcements only. For full calendar, see also preceding issues of ENR);**

**LOW BIDDERS: On jobs below $500,000 value the low bidder news will be the final reports published on the projects involved except where award is not made to the low bidder. In this case, a supplementary contract award report will be published.**

**CONTRACTS AWARDED: Except awards to low bidders previously reported in low bidder news.**

**Dates shown are of issue in which last previous report was published.**

**Note: To comply with censorship requirements, addresses on some reports are being generalized. Data which would reveal the purpose of the improvements and the size are withheld. The name of contractor and general area are reported.**

## WATER SUPPLY

### PROPOSED WORK

**†District of Columbia**—U. S. Eng., McMillan Station, postponed indefinitely construction Dalecarlia pump, sta. $918,000; gravity main Dalecarlia $671,000; Fort Reno reservoir $500,000. CD 11/23—ENR 11/26.

**Mass., Belmont**—Bd. Selectmen, Town Hall, water sys. Over $15,000.

**Mass., Hanover**—Bd. Water Comrs., J. W. Neal, chn., water sys. $20,000. S. M. Ellsworth, 6 Beacon St., Boston, engr.

**Mass., Milton**—Bd. Selectmen, Town Hall, watermains, $15,000.

**†Wo., Crocker**—City, completing WW and sewerage sys., Project Mo. 23-263. $50,000. FWA.

**†Miss., Jackson**—City Water Works Dpt., J. F. Wade, supt., filter plant addn., constructing 1 m.g.c. clear water reservoir and settling basin, $269,000. **FWA.** Black & Veatch, 4706 Bway., Kansas City, Mo., engrs. CD 2/25—ENR 3/4.

**N. M., Alouquerque**—Exten. water lines between University and Burta Park reservoir. $106,000. Applied for FWA gr.

**Tex., Fort Worth**—City, c/o S. H. Bothwell, mgr., WW imprvs., water reservoir with 2,000 cu. yd. earthwork and concrete gravity walls, with 11,410 ft. 30 in. c.i. connecting pipe, etc. $252,430. Applied to FWA. Freese & Nichols, Capps Bldg., Fort Worth, engrs. CD 2/26—ENR 3/4.

### BIDS ASKED

*Bids Asked March 23*

**†Maryland**—Federal Works Agency, 601 State Planters Bank Bldg., Richmond, Va., addnl. WW facilities Md. 18-135, Baltimore Co. $81,200.

*Bids Asked*

★**†Tex., Houston**—City, J. Edy, mgr., water supply facilities, incl. three 200 kva., 12-440 sub-station transformers, 1 single panel switchboard, etc., Tex. 41564-F. **FWA.** G. L. Fugate, City Hall, engr. CD 12/22—ENR 12/31.

### LOW BIDDERS

**Pa., Phila.**—C. Director P. Wks., Mar. 1, 12 in. c.i. cement lined pipe, Margaret Lefevre, Thompson and Orthodox Sts., from M. B. and J. B. McHugh, 892 Markoe St., **$36,800.** CD 2/18—ENR 2/25.

**Wis., Cudahy**—J. F. Keller, city clk., Mar. 2, 2300 ft. 16 in. water main S. Packard Ave., from W. J. Lazynski, Inc., 906 E. Center St., Milwaukee. Bid 1 **$19,562,** Bid 2 alt. **$18,545.** CD 2/18—ENR 2/25.

**†Tex., Pecos**—At office Federal Works Agency, 1309 Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, Feb. 20, water and sewer imprvs., utility sys., alterations and extens., wells, deep well pumps, water pumps, etc., Tex. 41-555, from D. N. Bassett, Monahans. **$38,500.** Bids 2/10 rejected. CD 2/19—ENR 2/25, under LB.

### CONTRACTS AWARDED

**†Arizona**—U. S. Eng., 751 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, Calif., water distr. sys., Maricopa Co., to Fisher Constr. Co., P. O. Box 4035, Phoenix. Est. under **$50,000.**

**†Kansas**—U. S. Eng., 10 E. 17 St., Kansas City, Mo., water distr. sys., Pratt Co., to Asplund Const. Co., Enid, Okla. Est under **$50,000.**

**†Texas**—U. S. Eng., 231 W. Main St., Denison, addl. facilities water storage, pump. plant, utility yard, sewer, incinerator. Gregg Co., to Campbell & Kay, Tyler, **$100,000-$500,000.**

**†Texas**—U. S. Eng., Fort Sam Houston, WW and sewers, Kinney Co., to Waco Constr. Co., Waco, under **$50,000.**

**†Tex., Amarillo**—City, c/o A. P. Hancock, mgr., Contr. 1, water lines, Tex. 41-569, to Amarillo Bridge Co., Amarillo, **$216,807. FWA.** Bids 2/23, awarded 3/3. CD 3/2—ENR 3/4 under LB.

**†Tex., Amarillo**—A. P. Hancock, city mgr. Contr. 2, drilling, developing deep water well, Tex. 41-569, to Nichols Pipe Co., 3028 Duranzo St., El Paso, **$19,603. FWA.** CD 2/12—ENR 1/21.

**†Washington**—U. S. Eng., 800 3 Ave., Seattle, water supply sys., Clallam Co., to Standard Plumbing & Heating Co., 10 St. and North Shore Dr., Bremerton, under **$50,000.**

## SEWERS, WASTE DISPOSAL

### PROPOSED WORK

**Calif., Santa Clara**—Sewage disposal plant. $167,049. E. C. Schott, city engr.

**†Colorado**—U. S. Eng., c/o Postmaster, Denver, sewage disposal plant, reservoir. Under $100,000. Crocker & Ryan, 1st National Bank, Denver, engr.-archt.

**†Connecticut**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 24 School St., Boston, Mass., plans nearing completion disposal plant addn., for housing, Projects Conn. 6011 and 6014. Payne & Keefe, 331 State St., New London, archts. and engrs.

**†Ill., Milan**—City, sewerage sys. $50,000-$65,000. **FWA.**

**Mass., Milton**—Bd. Selectmen, Town Hall, sewer mains and disposal sys. Over $25,000.

**Mass., Needham** — Town, Bd. Selectmen, Town Hall, storm and sanitary sewers. $25,489.

**†Mich., Dearborn**—Sewers, incl. 1,900 ft. 60 in. connecting sewer from Dearborn east side interceptor to Detroit city interceptor. $85,000.

**†Ohio**—U. S. Eng., Wright Field, Dayton, sewer lines, Montgomery Co. $300,000.

**R. I., Warren**—Town, c/o F. Brocher, chn. Sewer Comn., 10 Martin St., sanitary sewers various streets, incl. Wood, Liberty and Water Sts. Over $25,000.

**Tex., Brackettville** — A. T. Terry, mayor, sewerage sys. $144,000. Applied for FWA funds. J. C. Calhoun, Jr., Houston Merchants Exchange Bldg., Houston, engr.

**Tex., Nederlands** — M. L. Bronaugh, city secy., sewerage sys. $126,500. Applied for FWA funds. C. P. Smith, Bancroft Bldg., Orange, engr.

### BIDS ASKED

*Bids Asked March 17*

**D. C., Wash.**—District Comrs., District Bldg., 1300 ft. brick, concrete relief sewer in 19 and C Sts.

**†Pa., Williamsport**—Pub. Bldgs. Admin., North Interior Bldg., Wash., D. C., storm water drainage sys. **FWA.** Extended date. CD 2/10—ENR 2/18.

*Bids Asked March 23*

**†La., Bossier City**—Pub. Bldgs. Admin., North Interior Bldg., Wash., D. C., storm water drainage. **FWA.**

*Bids Asked*

**†Texas**—U. S. Eng., 25 St. and Avenue F, Galveston, sewage treatment plant, Solic. 359-43-C53, Harris Co. Over $25,000. Plans deposit $25.

### LOW BIDDERS

**†Colo., Denver**—City & Denver Co., City & County Bldg., Feb. 24, sewage disposal plant, from M. E. Carlson Const. Co., 4883 Newton St., **$87,537.** Est. $91,517. **FWA.** Black & Veatch, 4706 Bway., Kansas City, Mo., engrs.

**N. Y., Brooklyn**—President Brooklyn Boro, Boro Hall, Mar. 4, storm and sanitary sewers Avenues L and K, etc., from Milljay Constr. Corp., 515 Avenue I, **$37,744.** CD 2/25.

**†N. C., Fayetteville**—Pub. Bldgs. Admin., North Interior Bldg., Wash., D. C., Mar. 2, storm drainage, Sects. 1 and 2, from V. P. Loftis Co., Builders Bldg., Charlotte, **$37,310. FWA.** CD 2/12—ENR 2/18.

**†Tex., Elgin**—City, c/o Sadie McCulloch, secy., Mar. 4, well, reservoir, pump. stn. and cleaning watermains, etc., Docket, Tex. 41-415, from F. R. Rundell, 309 Fannin St., Austin, **$42,440. FWA.** CD 2/12—ENR 2/18.

**†Wash., Kirkland**—C. F. Trent, city clk., Mar. 1, sewers, from C. V. Wilder, 2006 State St., Bellingham, **$27,841. FWA.** CD 2/24.

### CONTRACTS AWARDED

**†Florida**—U. S. Eng., U. S. Courthouse & Post Office, Jacksonville, sewer line, Inv. Neg.-Jax.-43-610, Duval Co., to Boyd & Goforth, Inc., 1226 W. Forsyth St., Jacksonville, less than **$50,000.** Awarded 2/22.

**†Florida**—U. S. Eng., U. S. Courthouse & Post Office, Jacksonville, sewage treatment sys., Orange Co., to R. E. Clarson, Inc., Power & Light Bldg., St. Petersburg, under **$100,000.** Awarded 2/12.

**†Kansas**—U. S. Eng., 10 E. 17 St., Kansas City, Mo., sewage disposal plant, water supply sys., Saline Co., to Jack Constr. Co., Security Natl. Bank Bldg., Kansas City. CD 2/12—ENR 2/18.

★**†Michigan**—U. S. Eng., 700 Union Guardian Bldg., Detroit, sanitary sewers, sewage, treatment plant, water supply lines, distr. sys., water reservoirs, pump houses, Jackson Co., to McDermott & Sons, 402 Housemann Bldg., Grand Rapids, less than **$1,000,000.**

**†Nev., Las Vegas**—Federal Works Agency, 1206 S. Santee St., Los Angeles, Calif., sewage treatment plant, Docket Nev. 26-116, to H. F. Hendrickson Co., 2811 Clearwater St., Los Angeles, Calif., **$4,170.** CD 2/23. Awarded 3/2.

**†North Carolina**—U. S. Eng., 308 Customhouse, Wilmington, constructing, completing sewage collection and water distr. sys., New Hanover Co., to Seckinger Sons Co., 180 Forsyth St. S.W., Atlanta, Ga., under **$50,000.**

**†Pennsylvania**—U. S. Eng., Standard Oil Bldg., Baltimore, Md., conduit and manholes, Berks Co., to Counties Contg. & Constr. Co., Inc., Opal and Cambria Sts., Phila., under **$50,000.**

★**†Tennessee**—U. S. Eng., 494 Spring St. N. W., Atlanta, Ga., sewage treatment plant, Coffee Co., to Atwood Constr. Co. c/o A. R. Abrams, 41 Exchange Pl. S. E., Atlanta, Ga. Est. under **$1,000,000.**

**Wis., Appleton**—Sulphite Pulp Mfg. Comn. on Waste Disposal, c/o Institute of Paper Chemistry, 1101 E. South River St., rein-con. frame waste disposal plant to Consolidated Water Power & Paper Co., Wisconsin Rapids, Jerry Donohue Eng. Co., 606 N. 8th St., Sheboygan, engrs.

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## BRIDGES, GRADE CROSSINGS

**OSED WORK**

**, Malvern**—H. Jones, city recdr., via- ver Missouri Pacific R. R. tracks, Main

**, Santa Clara**—Constructing Brokaw pass. $282,415. E. C. Schott, city engr.

**th Carolina**—U. S. Eng., 308 Custom- Wilmington, withdrew bids to have pened Mar. 3, timber bridge overhead g, drainage and surfacing, Richmond

**, Memphis**—Nashville, Chattanooga & uis Ry. Co., R. L. Schmid, ch. engr., way., Nashville, and Belt Line R. R., neral Manager, 31 Madison Bldg., Mem- new overpass replacing existing struc-

**ASKED**

*Bids Asked March 18*

**raska**—State Dpt. Roads & Irrigation, G. Scott, state engr., Lincoln, deck steel bridge, FAS 123 A, Newcastle-Ponca at 21 plus 54; 1 multiple span 110 ft. steel , Project FAS 373, State Rd., Walthill- at Sta. 242 plus 49; one 45 ft. span pony bridge, Project 635-A, State Rd., Merna- a Springs State Park, at Sta. 443 plus

*Bids Asked About March 30*

**Canton**—Stark Co., bridge over East 11 St. S.E. $80,000. John A. Shisler, Hall, engr.

*Bids Asked*

**., St. Helens**—Columbia Co., R. Tarbell, exten. Cedar Creek bridge, 14 gt., on oose-Pittsburgh Rd.

**BIDDERS**

**ryland**—State Road Comn., Baltimore, 23, bridges, Contr. BC. 178-766, from Hedin Constr. Co., Chesapeake and is Ave. S.W., Wash., D. C., **$167,371***** , BC. 178-1-766, from Empire Constr. 31 S. Calvert St., Baltimore, **$99,659***** , BC. 178-2-766, from Ligon & Ligon, Ridgewood Ave., Baltimore, **$65,970.** CD —ENR 2/18.

**TRACTS AWARDED**

**C., Wash.**—Pub. Roads Admin., 1440 mbia Pike, Arlington, Va., trestle at e & War Dpt. Bldg. Road Network, to ine Constr. Co., Box 55, Alexandria, Va., 37, Bids 2/5. CD 1/25—ENR 1/28.

**ssouri**—State Hy. Comn., Jefferson City, ree, Jackson Co., to List & Weatherly ir. Co., Ry. Exch. Bldg., Kansas City, **$115,664.** Bids 2/17, awarded 2/26. CD

**Texas**—U. S. Eng., Fort Sam Houston, er type trestle, Bastrop Co., to J. D. brough, St. Anthony Hotel, San Antonio, er **$50,000.**

## STREETS AND ROADS

**DS ASKED**

*Bids Asked March 15*

**New York**—Comr. Parks, office Dpt. Parks, nal Bldg., Central Park, 64 St. and 5 Ave., York, bituminous macadam repaving nx Whitestone Parkway, adjacent to Lin- St. bridge, Contr. Q-125-143, Queens o; test borings for proposed structures in at Kills Park, Cont. R-16-143, Richmond o.

*Bids Asked March 17*

**a., Boone**—Bd. Supervs. Boone Co., surfac- roads involving 43,230 cu. yd. gravel, crush en and haul, 528,620 units haul, 6,849 cu. yd. stripping. Over $25,000. P. Saum, co. engr.

**Louisiana**—State Dpt. Hys., Baton Rouge, ding, surfacing 0.299 mi. entrance to Lees- e Housing Project exten., Vernon Parish; ding, sand clay surfacing 0.232 mi. Red h Levee Set Back Hy., Avoyelles Parish; 50 cu. yd. washed gravel furnished, hauled d spot dumped, S.P. 901-01-30, Pointe upee Parish; 3,000 cu. yd. S.P. 901-01-66, en Parish; 4,000 cu. yd. washed gravel nished, hauled and del. S.P. 901-01-65, tangeline Parish; 4,000 cu. yd. furnished, d S.P. 901-01-64, Calcasieu Parish. D. Y. alth, dir.

*Bids Asked March 18*

**Nebraska**—State Dpt. Roads & Irrigation, G. Scott, state engr., Lincoln, oiled road, ding, sand gravel surfacing, culverts, me coat armor coat 3 mi. DA WI 3- ess road; sand gravel surfacing, concrete ing, culverts 4 mi. AN FA-C, Hasting st; oiled road, 1 bridge, bituminous mat. rface course, prime coat armor coat sur- ing 3 mi. SN FA 78, Wahoo-Omaha Rd.; ncrete for culverts 113-A, State Rd., Vent- r-Niavrar; Proj. 168-B, State Rd., Bassett- uart; Project 322-E State Rd., Burwell- rd; Proj. 351-A, State Rd., Butte south.

*Bids Asked March 19*

★ **Pennsylvania**—Office J. U. Shroyer, secy. Hys., Harrisburg, concrete paving 17,497 Appl. 294, Sect. 2, Appl. 254, Sect. 2, affic Route 930, Aliquippa and Monaca oros, Hopewell and Center Twps., Beaver o. Over $1,000,000. Plans deposit $2.50.

*Bids Asked March 22*

**Ia., Sioux City** — Bd. Supervs. Woodbury Co., Sioux City, maintenance surfacing 276.54 mi. roads. Over $25,000. J. C. McLean, Sioux City, co. engr.

*Bids Asked March 24*

**California** — State Hy. Dpt., Sacramento, grading and plant mix on cement treated surfacing 4 mi. between ½ mi. south of Clear Creek and Redding Subway, Shasta Co. G. T. McCoy, hy. engr.

*Bids Asked*

★ **Pennsylvania**—State Hy. Dpt., Harrisburg, rejected bids imprv. 17,497 ft. Beaver Co. Over $500,000. Will readvertise. CD 1/26—ENR 1/28 under LB.

†**Texas**—U. S. Eng., 25 St. and Avenue F, Galveston, concrete sidewalks, Solic. 359-43-C50, Harris Co. $25,000. Plans deposit $25.

†**Texas**—U. S. Eng., Dallas, asphalt paving, grading, Dallas Co. Over $25,000.

**LOW BIDDERS**

**Louisiana**—State Dpt. Hys., Baton Rouge, Mar. 2, imprv. 1.756 mi. Florida Ave.-Gentilly Rd., State Route C-2043, Orleans Parish, from A. C. Campbell Co., 324 First National Bank Bldg., Shreveport, **$87,934.**

**Maryland**—State Roads Comn., Baltimore, imprv. 6.429 mi. Contr. S.M. 255-566, St. Mary's Co., from Somerset Constr. Co., 1126 S. Sharp St., Baltimore, **$192,310.** Bids 2/23. CD 2/16—ENR 2/18.

★ **Ohio**—State Hy. Dpt., Columbus, Mar. 3, imprv. 1.308 mi. Cuyahoga Co., from The Kalill Co., 4161 W. 150 St., Cleveland, **$513,794,** est. $566,000***0.208 mi. Ottawa Co., from C. P. Calaway, 1220 Madison Ave., Toledo, **$37,719,** est. $38,600***2.819 mi. Trumbull Co., from The Kelley & Meyer Co., 522 Dallar Bank Bldg., Youngstown, **$30,478,** est. $30,500***4.923 mi. Licking Co., from Ohio Road Improvement Co., 341 Chamber of Commerce Bdg., Coumbus, **$69,817,** est. $84,900***1.521 mi. Lorain Co., from Ohio Engineering Co., 105 6 St., Lorain, **$32,594,** est. $32,600*** 0.332 mi. Portage Co., from Hollinger-Davidson Co., 85 E. Thornton St., Akron, **$28,624,** est. $29,300***4.003 mi. Washington Co., from Muskingum Valley Asphalt & Supply, Inc., 226 Masonic Bldg., Zanesville, **$81,385,** est. $81,400. Received no bids imprv. 0.883 mi. and 1.222 mi. Marion Co.; 1.18 mi. Columbiana Co., $12,900. CD 2/19—ENR 2/25.

★ **Tennessee** — State Hy. Dpt., Nashville, Mar. 5, imprv. 2.044 mi. Sullivan Co., from A. B. Long, Harriman, **$618,164.** CD 3/2—ENR 3/4.

**CONTRACTS AWARDED**

†**Alabama**—U. S. Eng., U. S. Courthouse & Customhouse, Mobile, asphalt paving, Montgomery Co., to Hodgson Concrete & Asphalt Co., Montgomery, **$50,000-$100,000.**

†**Arizona** — U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 1270, Kingman, street improvements, reception center, Yuma Co., to Brown, Dako & Baun, Pismo Beach, Calif., over **$100,000.**

†**California**—U. S. Eng., 4133 Main St., Riverside, roads, Riverside Co., to Caloweli Constr. Co., Hy 99 and Pierce Rd., Bakersfield, over **$100,000.** Awarded 2/27.

†**Florida**—U. S. Eng., U. S. Courthouse & Post Office, Jacksonville, clearing, grubbing, excav., stabilization, limerock base course and bituminous seal coat, Dade Co., to W. T. Price Dredging Corp., 3200 S.W. 27 Ave., Miami, **$100,000-$500,000.**

†**Florida**—U. S. Eng., U. S. Courthouse & Post Office, Jacksonville, roads, Inv. Neg.-Jax.-43-576, Clay Co., to Marion Contracting Co., Ocala, less than **$50,000.** Awarded 2/23.

†**Illinois**—U. S. Eng., 520 Merchandise Mart, Chicago, service drives, sidewalks, site grading, Fulton Co., to Jansen & Schaefer, Pekin, **$100,000-$500,000.**

**Kentucky** — Dpt. Hys., Frankfort, imprv. 0.916 mi. road Jefferson Co., to Highland Co., Inc., 644 Baxter St., Louisville, **$55,081.** CD 3/2—ENR 3/4 under LB.

†**Maine**—U. S. Eng., Park Square Bldg., Boston, Mass., concrete paving, No. 175-43-NEG 228, to Carlo Bianchi & Co., Inc., 24 Union Ave., Framingham, Mass. Est. **$50,000.**

**Maryland**—State Roads Comn., Baltimore, imprv. 6.17 mi. St. Mary's Co., to James Julian, S. du Pont Rd., Esmer, Wilmington, Del., **$258,744.** Bids 1/26. CD 1/18—ENR 1/21.

†**Massachusetts**—U. S. Eng., Park Square Bldg., Boston, road construction, No. 175-43-NEG 234, Barnstable Co., to M. F. Roach Co., 55 Spring St., East Bridgewater. Est. under **$50,000.** Bids 2/17.

†**Michigan**—U. S. Eng., 700 Union Guardian Bdg., Detroit, walks, drives, Washtenaw Co., to C. J. Rogers, 14836 Grand River Ave., Detroit, less than **$1,000,000.**

**Minn., Red Wing**—Goodhue Co., graveling roads, to Backstrom & Midness, Cannon Falls, **$54,269.** Bids 2/18. CD 2/5—ENR 2/11.

†**New Mexico**—U. S. Eng., Albuquerque, palliative treating, De Baca Co., to W. L. Denson, 207 S. Hermosa St., Albuquerque, **$50,000-$100,000.**

★ †**New York**—U. S. Eng., 120 Wall St., New York, paving, Westchester Co., to Wm. P. McDonald Corp. and Good Roads Eng. & Contr. Co. Inc., 33-15 Lawrence St., Flushing, **$500,000-$1,000,000.**

†**Oklahoma**—U. S. Eng., 416 Wright Bldg., Tulsa, asphalt paving and drives, Muskogee Co., to Plains Constr. Co., Pampa, **$50,000-$100,000.**

†**Ore., Eugene** — Williamette Natl. Forest Service, Eugene, 12 one-half mi. road, incl. bridge, own forces. **$70,000.**


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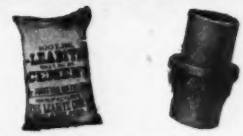

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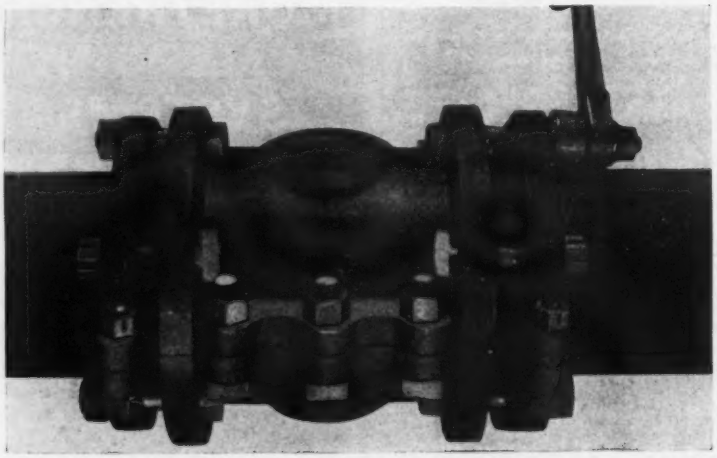

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**STREETS AND ROADS** (Contracts Awa... Cont'd.)

†**Texas**—U. S. Eng., Fort Sam Ho... addnl. road construction, Bexar C... Rodgers & Stewart, 1407 W. Laurel St., ... Antonio, under **$50,000.**

†**Texas**—U. S. Eng., 25 St... and Ave... Galveston, asphalt paving, Cameron C... H. H. Hedges & Sons, 1919 Runnels ... Houston, **$50,000-$100,000.**

†**Texas**—U. S. Eng., Fort Sam Ho... addnl. concrete sidewalks, asphalt pa... Bastrop Co., to G. Mora, 312 Sabine ... Houston, under **$50,000.**

†**Texas**—U. S. Eng., Fort Sam Hou... addnl. concrete and asphalt paving, Bel... to Holland Page, Georgetown Rd., Au... under **$50,000.**

**Texas**—State Hy. Comn., Austin, ... 9.424 mi. Coryell Co., from Cage Bros.-Pa... & Winters, Bishop, **$115,792**; est. $12... 3.254 mi. Smith Co., from Ben Sira & ... 3901 Elm St., Dallas, **$53,800**, est. $5... CD 2/3—ENR 2/11.

**Utah**—State Road Comm., J. S. En... chn., Salt Lake City, 2½ in. road mix b... minous surfacing 0.725 mi.; also steel g... bridge, Tooele Co., to F. S. Whiting, ... St., Salt Lake City, **$62,058.** Est. $7... Bids 2/26.

★**Newfoundland**—Dpt. Munitions & Sup... Ottawa, Ont., roads, to Atlas Constr. ... Ltd., 679 Belmont St., Montreal, about ... **000,000.**

## EARTHWORK WATERWAYS

**PROPOSED WORK**

**Md., Cumberland**—Bids soon dredging ... Creek, clearing Smith's Island. $15,000. R... Rizer, city engr.

★†**Texas**—U. S. Eng., 231 W. Main St., De... son, completion, addnl. new work ... Denison Red River Power Dam, Grayson ... $14,000,000.

**Tex., Edinburg**—Hidalgo County Nur... Project, Edinburg, irrigation sys., 15,000 ... ft. underground and 70,000 lin. ft. overh... pipe, 70,000 lin. ft. wind fence, sprinkler... automatic pump. units, etc. Over $15,000.

**Wisconsin**—Portage Levee Comm., Portag... imprv. levees along Wisconsin River, Columb... and Sauk Counties. $50,000.

**Man., Brandon**—Ducks Unlimited, Brand... development Douglas Flats so that 2 ... water will cover area, imprvs. at Doug... Dam. Engineer c/o R. M. Hopper, Brand...

**BIDS ASKED**

*Bids Asked March 22*

†**Mississippi**—U. S. Eng., U. S. Post Offic... Courthouse, Vicksburg, 160,000 cu. yd. earth ... work and drainage work on west bank Chi... water River, Tunica Co.

**LOW BIDDERS**

**La., Erath**—T. E. Golden, c/o Bank ... Erath, 400,000 cu. yd. drainage work, ... J. Hay McDermott & Co., Inc., Harve... **$47,000.**

**CONTRACTS AWARDED**

†**Texas**—U. S. Eng., Fort Sam Houst... grubbing, dirt work, clearing, Coryell Co., ... R. P. Farnsworth Co., 1515 S. Salcedo St., ... New Orleans, La., under **$50,000.**

**Wis., Appleton**—Wisconsin-Michigan Pow... Co., Appleton, remodeling water wheel p... rein.-con. construction, to C. R. Meyer & Son... Co., 50 State St., Oshkosh. Est. **$20,000.** Mea... Ward & Hunt Co., 550 State St., Madison, ... engrs.

**B. C., Steveston**—Dpt. P. Wks., Ottawa, ... Ont., jetty repairs, to Gilbey Bros. Ltd., ... 902 Columbia St., New Westminster, **$51,80...** Bids 12/30.

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**PROPOSED WORK**

★**California**—RAILROAD IMPROVEMENTS ... —Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Ry. Co., ... G. W. Harris, ch. engr., 80 E. Jackson Blvd., ... Chicago, Ill., general imprvs. southern Cali... fornia, incl. double tracking 30% line betwee... San Diego and Los Angeles. **$3,000,000.**

**Colo., Colorado Springs**—IMPROVEMENTS ... —City, $100,000 bond election April 6, imprv...

★†**Kan., Kansas City**—IMPROVEMENTS—... A. McDonald, city mgr., imprvs., grading ... etc. $2,227,000. CAA gr. approved.

★†**Kan., Kansas City**—IMPROVEMENTS—... City imprvs., grading, etc., $2,227,000 ... CAA gr. A. McDonald, city mgr.

**Kentucky**—DOCKS, etc.—Kosmos Portland ... Cement Co., Starks Bldg., Louisville, unload... ing docks, tank storage facilities, etc., incl. ... pipeline and pump. station, Ohio River, near ... World's Creek, southwest of Louisville. Over ... $25,000.

**La., Baton Rouge**—IMPROVEMENTS—East ... Baton Rouge Police Jury, F. Benton, atty., ... Baton Rouge, plans by A. Hays Town, Louisi... ana National Bank Bldg., imprvs., bldg.

**Me., Rockland**—WHARF—E. R. Veazie, ... mayor, preliminary survey wharfage facilities ... addn. $25,000 or more.

**Mass., Ware**—ATHLETIC FIELD—Town, ... c/o L. Greenfield, chn. Comm., plans by Chas.

LASSIFIED (Proposed Work, Cont'd.)
ingman, 7 Grove St., Palmer, athletic incl. grading, drainage, bldg., structures.

**Columbia**—IMPROVEMENTS—City, c/o Stickney, airport mgr., Columbia, D. Welch, city engr. E. W. Wiggins gs, Inc., will finance. CD 5/5—ENR 5/7.

**ebraska**—CONSTRUCTION—U. S. Eng., Jackson St., Omaha, engineer-architect ee and supervision construction, Buffalo by L. F. Harza, 205 W. Wacker Dr., go, Ill.

**w Jersey**—IMPROVEMENTS—East Coast ards, Inc., foot of 21 St., Bayonne, re- tation imprvs.

**., Anahuac**—OIL WELL—G. H. McCar- Anahuac, drilling, developing oil well. ost.

**., Archer City** — OIL WELLS — T. B. ers, Wichita Falls, drilling, developing more deep test oil wells. $25,000.

**., Beaumont**—OIL WELL—G. McCarthy Phillips Petroleum Co., Beaumont, drill- developing, casing oil well. $25,000.

**., Calvert**—OIL WELL—Magnolia Petro- Co., Magnolia Bldg., Dallas, drilling, g, developing 8,000 ft. oil well. $25,000.

**., Cash** — OIL WELL — Hollandsworth ing Co., Longview, drilling, developing deep test oil well. $25,000.

**., Colorado City**—OIL WELL—Sun Oil Big Springs, drilling, developing, casing well. $25,000.

**., Elkhart** — OIL WELL — Byrd-Frost, Palestine, drilling, casing, developing test oil well. $25,000.

**x., Houston**—TRACT IMPROVEMENTS E. Deats & D. L. Anderson, Union Na- l Bldg., imprv. 972 acre tract, fencing, hen tank, feeding and stock housing s, etc. Over $25,000.

**x., Marshall**—OIL WELLS—D. E. Whelan ssociates, Marshall, drilling, developing wells. Over $25,000.

**x., Palestine**—OIL WELL—Texas Co., 720 Jacinto St., Houston, drilling, casing, de- ping new deep test oil well. $25,000.

**x., Realitos**—OIL WELLS—Stanolind Oil as Co., Corpus Christi, drilling, develop- 1 or more deep test oil wells. $25,000.

**x., Three Rivers**—OIL WELL—Sal Vieja Co., Corpus Christi, drilling, developing, ng 3,095 ft. oil well. $25,000.

**DS ASKED**

*Bids Asked on or About March 16*

**., Columbus** — IMPROVEMENTS — U. S. , 522 U. S. Post Office & Court House, cinnati, imprvs.

*Bids Asked March 18*

**ew York**—PLANTING, etc.—Comr. Parks Office Dpt. Parks, Arsenal Bldg., Central k, 64 St. and 5 Ave., New York, planting topsoiling incidental to paving south vice road of Grand Central Parkway from St. to Ditmars Blvd. and Ditmars Blvd. n 91 to 93 Sts., also intersection of Boody and Connecting hy. with Grand Central kway, Queens Boro, Contr. Q-84A-241.

*Bids Asked March 24*

**J. Y., New York**—TRACK SPECIAL WORK d. Transportation, 250 Hudson St., New k, track special work, frogs and switch nts. Bid 20478.

*Bids Asked*

**†Kansas**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 10 E. 17 St., Kansas City, Mo., imprvs., g., Shawnee Co. $600,000. Battey & lds, 231 S. La Salle St., Chicago, Ill., ect.

**Michigan**—RAILROADS, etc.—Chicago & th Western Ry., B. R. Kulp, ch. engr., 400 Madison St., Chicago, Ill., new railroads, prv. present roads, strengthening bridges, in mining territory in Upper Peninsula.

**OW BIDDERS**

**†Arizona**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, Calif., prvs., No. 1145, Pinal Co., from Arizona nd & Rock Co., S. 7 St. and River Bank, oenix, over **$100,000.** Bids 3/1.

**†California**—UTILITIES—U. S. Eng., 1209 St., Sacramento, Mar. 2, utilities, paving, c. 423, Sacramento Co., from A. Teichert Son, Inc., Box 1113, Sacramento, under 000.

**†California** — UTILITIES — U. S. Eng., right Bldg., Sacramento, utilities, Spec. 462, n Joaquin Co., from A. Teichert & Son, , P. O. Box 113. Est. under **$50,000.**

**New York**—CONSTRUCTION—Comr. Parks, t. Parks, Arsenal Bldg., Central Park, 64 and 5 Ave., New York, Mar. 4, completing unfinished WPA projects in Manhattan, ronx, Brooklyn and Queens, Contr. M-10-143, om Frank Wascall & Sons, Inc., 4634 3 ve., New York, **$182,483.** CD 2/11—ENR 13.

**†Texas, College Station**—IMPROVEMENTS Civil Aeronautics Admin., P. O. Box 689, ar. 5, imprvs., from Austin Road Co., 1813 arence St., Dallas, Schedule 1, **$102,340,** hedule 2-B, **$380,856.** CD 3/1—ENR 10/15.

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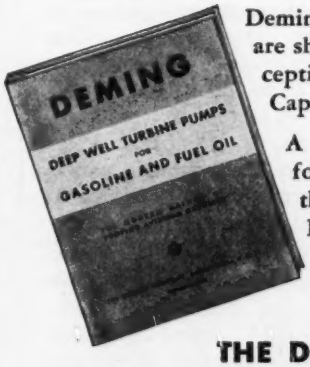


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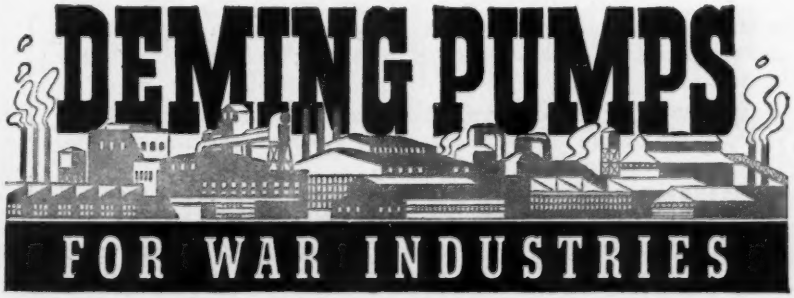

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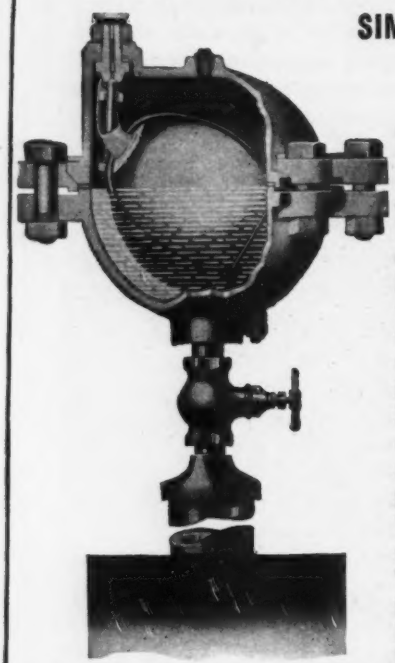

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**†Alabama**—AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SY TEM, etc.—U. S. Eng., 494 Spring St., Atl Ga., automatic sprinkler sys., walkw Etowah Co., to Grinnell Co., Inc., High St. S.W., Atlanta, Ga. Est. $40,000.

**†Arizona**—GASOLINE FUELING SYSTE U. S. Eng., 401 W. Adams St., Phoenix, A gasoline fueling sys., No. 1040, Maricopa C to Wonderly Constr. Co., 2964 Line Ave., L Beach, Calif., under **$100,000.** Awarded 1

**California**—DOCK—Henry J. Kaiser C Latham Square Bldg., Oakland, widen concrete fitting out dock, to Cahill Bros., Sansome St., San Francisco. $92,810. L Nishkian, 155 Sansome St., San Franc engr.

**†California**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. En 4133 Main St., Riverside, imprvs., hous Orange Co., to W. J. Hunter, 660 Hellert Dr., Los Angeles, over **$100,000.**

**†California**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. En 1209 8 St., Sacramento, imprvs., bldgs., Sp 429, Sacramento Co., to Lawrence Con Co., 3511 E. Curtis Park Dr., Sacrament Est. under **$100,000.** Bids 2/23. CD 2/1

★**†Calif., Alameda** — IMPROVEMENTS Yards & Docks, Navy Dpt., 18 St. a Constitution Ave. N. W., Wash., D. C., impro NOY 5935, to Dinwiddie Const. Co., 210 Croc Bldg., San Francisco, **$548,500.** Awarded 1

**†Colorado**—ELECTRIC CONTROL SYSTE —U. S. Eng., c/o Postmaster, Denver elec cal control sys., Denver Co., to Long & Jes Wilda Bldg., Denver. Est. under $50,000.

**†Florida**—GASOLINE STORAGE SYSTE U. S. Eng., U. S. Courthouse & Post Of Jacksonville, a.c. gasoline storage sys., In Neg.-Jax.-43,605, Polk Co., to Aqua System Inc., 385 Gerard Ave., New York, N. Y., l than **$50,000.** Awarded 2/23.

**†Florida** — CONSTRUCTION — U. S. Eng U. S. Courthouse & Post Office, Jacksonvil construction, Inv. Neg-Jax-43-607, Duval C to J. R. Hume Electric Co., 376 S. Cour Rd., Palm Beach, under **$50,000.** Awarde 2/22.

**†Florida**—RECONSTRUCTION—U. S. Eng U. S. Courthouse & Post Office, Jacksonvil dismantling, reconstructing and re-erecting equip., Inv. Jax-43-603, Duval Co., to Bethl hem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa., under $50, **000.** Awarded 2/20.

**†Florida**—ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SYS TEM—U. S. Eng., U. S. Courthouse & Pos Office, Jacksonville, electric distr. sys., In NEG-JAX-43-616, Dade Co., to Ingalls Elec tric Co., 961 S.W. 2 St., Miami, under $50,00 Awarded 2/22.

**†Florida**—GASOLINE STORAGE SYSTE —U. S. Eng., U. S. Courthouse & Post Offic Jacksonville, a.c. gasoline storage sys., In Neg-Jax-43-606, Highlands Co., to Murph Constr. Co., Clare Ave., West Palm Beach, under **$50,000.** Awarded 2/20.

**†Florida** — IMPROVEMENTS — U. S. Eng U. S. Courthouse & Post Office, Jackso ville, imprvs., Inv. NEG-M.D.-43-20, Hills borough Co., to Cone Bros. Contg. Co., Caesa St. and Cumberland Rd., Tampa, under $100, **000.** Awarded 2/23.

**†Georgia**—FACILITIES—U. S. Eng., Post Office Bldg., Ware Co., to Christian & Bell Co., 101 Marietta St. N.W., Atlanta, Ga. **$50,000-$100,000.**

**†Illinois**—HEATING, etc.—U. S. Eng., 59 Merchandise Mart, Chicago, heating, ventilat ing and process piping, Cook Co., to Robert Gordon, Inc., 19 N. Jefferson St., Chicago **$50,000-$100,000;** paint precipitation sys. for paint shop, to Binks Mfg. Co., 3124 W Carol St., Chicago, under **$50,000.**

**†Ill., Chicago**—IMPROVEMENTS—Yards & Docks, Navy Dpt., 18 St. and Constitution Ave. N.W., Wash., D. C., imprvs. and alterin present naval training school, 87 St. and Anthony Ave., NOY 5936, to Henry Ericson Co., 228 N. La Salle St., **$293,020.**

★**†Ia., Cedar Rapids**—IMPROVEMENTS— City, imprvs., to Hallett Constr. Co., Cros by, Minn. and Megarry Bros., 437-33 Ave. N St. Cloud, Minn., **$975,429. CAA.** CD 2/24— ENR 3/4 under LB.

**†Kansas**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 10 E. 17 St., Kansas City, Mo., imprvs. addnl. bldgs., to Patti-McDonald Const. Co., 1114 Bway., Kansas City, Mo. Est. **$125,000.** Former contract rescinded. CD 3/1—ENR 3/4 under CA; water distr. sys., to Frankamp-Parker Co., Omaha, Neb.

★**†Kansas**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 10 E. 17 St., Kansas City, Mo., imprvs., bldgs., Ellis Co., to Jones-Hettelsater Const. Co., Mutual Bldg., Kansas City, Mo. Est. **$1,000,000.** Bids 2/24. CD 2/19.

**†Kansas**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 10 E. 17 St., Kansas City, Mo., imprvs., water distr. and sewerage sys., to Burt & Benford, Hutchinson, est. **$70,000;** paving to Hallett Const. Co. and Nelson, Mullen & Webster, Inc., 355 Gateway Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn.; foregoing in Ellis Co.

★**†Louisiana** — IMPROVEMENTS — U. S. Eng., 25 St. and Avenue F, Galveston, Tex., imrvs., bldg., East Baton Rouge Parish, to Perrilliat-Rickey Const. Co. and Barber Bros. Co., Raymond Bldg., Baton Rouge. Est. under **$1,000,000.**

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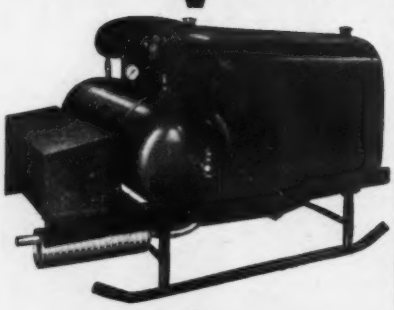

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†**Mass., South Boston (sta. Boston)** — BRIDGE CRANES — Yards & Docks, Navy Dpt., 18 St. and Constitution Ave. N.W., Wash., D. C., 210 ton bridge cranes, NOY 5957, to Shaw-Box Crane & Hoist Div. Manning, Maxwell & Moore, Inc., Muskegon, Mich., **$27,008.** Awarded 2/17.

†**Montana**—LIGHTING SYSTEM, etc.—U. S. Eng., 800 3 Ave., Seattle, Wash., street lighting and electrical distr. sys., Cascade Co., to Rowe Electric Co., 12-5 St. S., Great Falls, under **$100,000.**

★†**Nebraska**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, addns. extens. imprvs., Hall Co., to Sioux Syndicate, 261 Aquila Court, Omaha. Est. approx. **$2,000,000.** CD 3/2—ENR 3/4.

★†**Nebraska**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, exten. imprvs. Fillmore Co., to Olson-Assenmacher-Rokahr, Box 1273, Lincoln, Est. approx. **$2,000,000.**

★†**Nebraska**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, extens., imprvs., Thayer Co., to Lancaster Corp., Standard Oil Bldg., Omaha, est. approx. **$2,000,000.**

★†**Nebraska**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 10 E. 17 St., Kansas City, Mo., imprvs., Red-willow Co., to Patti & McDonald, 1114 Bway., Kansas City, Mo. Est. approx. **$2,000,000.** CD 3/2—ENR 3/4.

★†**Nebraska**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, extens., imprvs., Clay Co., to Olson-Assenmacher-Rokahr, Box 1273, Lincoln. Est. approx. **$2,000,000.**

★†**Nebraska**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, extens., imprvs., Buffalo Co., to Peter Kiewit Sons Co., 1024 Omaha Natl. Bank Bldg., Omaha. Est. approx. **$2,000,000.**

†**New Jersey** — IMPROVEMENTS — U. S. Eng., 120 Wall St., New York, N. Y., imprvs., lighting sys., Essex Co., to Standard Electric Constr. Co., 566 Bway., Bayonne. Est. **$50,000.**

†**N. J., Atlantic City**—IMPROVEMENTS—Civil Aeronautics Admin., La Guardia Field, Jackson Heights, N. Y., imprvs., lighting sys., to Edward Zwicker Corp., 415 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y. Bids 1/25. CD 1/21.

★†**N. J., Bayonne**—FACILITIES—Yards & Docks, Navy Dpt., 18 St. and Constitution Ave. N.W., Wash., D. C., addnl. facilities, S.A. 1, NOY 4664, to Geo. H. Flinn Corp., 551 5 Ave., New York, N. Y. and Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Co., 122 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill., **$4,976,900.**

†**New Mexico**—CONSTRUCTION—U. S. Eng., Albuquerque, addnl. temporary construction, Luna Co., to K. L. House Constr. Co., Albuquerque, **$50,000-$100,000.**

†**New Mexico** — IMPROVEMENTS — U. S. Eng., Albuquerque, imprvs., dust palliative treating roads, Luna Co., to A. O. Peabody, Santa Fe, under **$50,000.** CD 2/11—ENR 2/18.

★†**New Mexico** — IMPROVEMENTS — U. S. Eng., Albuquerque, imprvs., oil treating, Otero Co., to Skousen Bros., Albuquerque, less than **$500,000;** housing, technical facilities, Otero Co., to Ponsford Bros., 914 E. Missouri St., El Paso, Tex., under **$500,000.** Awarded 3/2.

†**New York**—STEAM HEATING SYSTEM—U. S. Eng., 960 Ellicott Square Bldg., Buffalo, steam heating sys., Erie Co., to J. Davis, Buffalo, under **$50,000.**

†**North Carolina**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 308 Customhouse, Wilmington, imprvs., Cumberland Co., to F. D. Cline, Fairview Rd., Raleigh, under **$50,000.** Bids 2/26.

†**Oklahoma**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 231 W. Main St., Denison, Tex., imprvs., Comanche Co., to A. C. Shelton & Son, Lawton, **$50,000-$100,000.**

†**Oklahoma**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 231 W. Main St., Denison, Tex., imprvs., asphalt paving, Tillman Co., to Bell & Braden, Amarillo, Tex., under **$500,000.** CD 2/11—ENR 2/18.

†**Pennsylvania**—GASOLINE FUELING SYSTEM—U. S. Eng., Standard Oil Bldg., Baltimore, Md., gasoline fueling sys., Berks Co., to Aqua Systems, Inc., 385 Gerard Ave., New York, N. Y., under **$50,000.**

†**Tennessee**—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 97, Memphis, addnl. imprvs. Shelby Co., to Royce Kershaw & Co., Bell Bldg., Montgomery, Ala. Est. under **$100,000.** (**Correction**—contractor's name.) CD 2/3—ENR 2/11 under CA.

†**Texas** — AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEM—U. S. Eng., 231 W. Main St., Denison, automatic sprinkler sys., Collin Co., to Automatic Sprinkler Corp. of America, 3923 McKinney St., Houston, under **$50,000.**

†**Texas**—BOUNDARY FENCE—U. S. Eng., 25 St. and Avenue F, Galveston, boundary fence, Limestone Co., to Southwestern Fence Co., 5240 Washington St., Houston, under **$50,000.**

†**Texas** — ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM—U. S. Eng., Fort Sam Houston, outside electrical distr. sys., Kinney Co., to Universal Electrical Co. of Alabama, Inc., 2421 Driscoll St., Houston, under **$50,000.**

†**Texas** — FIRE ALARM SYSTEM — U. S. Eng., Fort Sam Houston, automatic fire alarm sys., to Graham & Collins and Central Station Signals, Inc., 700 Avenue A, San Antonio, under **$50,000.**


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xas — FUELING SYSTEM — U. S. Eng., and Avenue F, Galveston, fueling sys., 259-43-C21, Cameron Co., to Mitchell P. O. Box 498, Victoria, $50,000-$100,000. 0—ENR 2/25 under LB.

xas — IMPROVEMENTS — U. S. Eng., am Houston, imprvs., to R. W. Briggs B. Killian, Sunset Rd., San Antonio, 0-$500,000; imprvs., addnl. temporary uction, to E. W. Oeffinger, 710 Avenue n Antonio, over $100,000; both Bexar

xas—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 231 ain St., Denison, imprvs., Hunt Co., to wman Co., M. & M. Bldg., Houston, $50,000.

xas—RAILWAY SIDINGS—U. S. Eng., Sam Houston, addnl. railway sidings, Coryell Co., to Martin & Grace, Rio e Natl. Life Bldg., Dallas, under $50,000.

xas—SPRINKLER SYSTEM—U. S. Eng., Sam Houston, automatic sprinkler sys., Co., to Fire Protection Co., Laredo, $50,000.

xas—AIR CONDITIONING—U. S. Eng., Main St., Denison, air conditioning for Grayson Co., to Dallas Air Conditioning Inc., 3500 Commerce St., Dallas, under

xas — ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION EM, etc.—U. S. Eng., Fort Sam Hous- lectrical distr. sys. and signals, Bell to Central Station Signals, Inc., and m & Collins, 700 Avenue A, San An- under $50,000.

xas—FIRE WALL—U. S. Eng., 231 W. St., Denison, fire wall, Dallas Co., to O'Rourke, 2019½ Jackson St., Dallas, $50,000.

xas—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., Fort Houston, imprvs., Bastrop Co., to J. D. brough, St. Anthony Hotel, San Antonio, $50,000.

xas — IMPROVEMENTS — U. S. Eng., Sam Houston, imprvs., Bexar Co., to . Briggs & M. B. Killian, Sunset Rd., Antonio, over $100,000.

xas—IMPROVEMENTS—U. S. Eng., 25 nd Avenue F, Galveston, imprvs., load- platforms, bldgs., exten. underground es, etc., Howard Co., to Jim Handley, 720 Travis Bldg., San Antonio, $50,000- ,000. Bids 2/25.

xas—PARKS—U S. Eng., Fort Sam ton, rein.-con. parks, Bastrop Co., to McKee, 1918 Texas St., El Paso, under ,000.

x., Victoria—OIL WELL.—A. C. Vernor, m Bldg., San Antonio, drilling, develop- 5,200 ft. oil well, to Howell Bros., San o, approx. $25,000. CD 2/25—ENR 3/4.

Washington — ENCLOSING STAIRWAY, —U. S. Eng., 800 3 Ave., Seattle, enclos- stairway, installing automatic sprinkling King Co., to Viking Automatic Sprinkler 1120 8 Ave. S., Seattle, under $50,000.

Washington—GASOLINE FUELING SYS- —U. S. Eng., 800 3 Ave. Seattle, a.c. line fueling sys., Clallam Co., to J. W. ey, 225 9 Ave. N., Seattle, under $50,000.

Wyoming — IMPROVEMENTS — U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Neb., rvs., Laramie Co., to Peter Kiewit Sons' 1024 Omaha Natl. Bank Bldg., Omaha, , and Big Horn Constr. Co., Sheridan, ,000-$1,000,000.

ova Scotia—IMPROVEMENTS—Dpt. Na- al Defense for Air, Ottawa, Ont., imprvs., ., to Stewart Const. Co., Ltd., 7 Dufferin , Sherbrooke, Que. $160,000.

ova Scotia—IMPROVEMENTS—Dpt. Na- al Defense for Air, Ottawa, Ont., addnl. rvs., to Tomlinson Const. Co., Ltd., Yar- uth, $190,000.

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Mexico—Monte de Piedad, Zocalo, Mexico, F., plans constructing model homes for rking class people, **Mexico City**, total est. 50,000***Municipal Govt., Palacio Munici- , Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, obtained loan m National Urban Mortgage & Public Works nk to finance building high and normal hools, imprv. drainage sys. and reconditions public market, **Ciudad Juarez,** Chihuahua, 0,000, also loan obtained for municipal ughter house, **Chihuahua City,** Chihuahua, ,000.

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**Ala., Aliceville**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, orgia Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtree and ad Sts., Atlanta, Ga., 48 temporary struc- es, Ala. 1200.

**Ala., Ozark**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, orgia Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtree and ad Sts., Atlanta, Ga., 100 temporary uctures, Ala. 1201.

**Arizona**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 785 rket St., San Francisco, Calif., plans by her & Mahoney, 1100 Title & Trust Bldg., oenix, permanent units, Ariz. 6-1.

**California**—City and County of San Fran- cisco Housing Auth., 525 Market St., San


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†**California** — Westvaco ... Chlorine Pro... Co., 405 Lexington Ave., N... York, N... plant facilities. Approx. $... Plant Corporation will finan...

†**California**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ... Market St., San Francisco, plans by G. ... ley Wilson, 3616 Main St., Riverside, ... utilities for trailer camp, Cal. 4665.

†**California**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ... Market St., San Francisco, plans by G. ... ley Wilson, 3616 Main St., Riverside, ... tory housing, Cal. 4662. CD 2/26—ENR ...

†**California**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ... Market St., San Francisco, accommoda... for couples, Cal. 4666; family dwelling ... Cal. 4669; dormitory housing, Cal. 467... Cal. 4671; accommodations for couples, ... 4668.

†**Calif., Oceanside** — Pub. Housing A... NHA, 785 Market St., San Francisco, 20 ... porary structures, Cal. 4663.

†**Calif., Palm Springs**—Pub. Housing A... NHA, 785 Market St., San Francisco, ... dormitories, Cal. 4662.

★†**Calif., San Francisco**—Pub. Housing A... NHA, 785 Market St., San Francisco, ... temporary structures, Cal. 4664; 700 ... apartments, Cal. 4666; 700 war apartme... Cal. 4668; 1,050 temporary housing, Cal. 46... 500 dormitories, Cal. 4670; 500 dormito... Cal. 4671.

†**Connecticut**—Pub. Housing Auth., NH... 24 School St., Boston, Mass., plans by E... Richmond, 174 Grand St., Waterbury, fa... ties for couples, Conn. 6042; family dw... ing units, Conn. 6043. CD 2/19—ENR 2...

†**D. C., Wash.**—District Comrs., Dist... Bldg., abandoned construction medical gro... Project 49-140 and venereal group, Projec... 49-150, both at Gallinger Municipal Hosp... **FWA.** CD 12/3 and 11/23.

†**Georgia**—U. S. Eng., Conley, bldgs., Cl... ton Co.

†**Ga., Thomasville** — Pub. Housing Au... NHA, Georgia, Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtr... and Broad Sts., Atlanta, 150 unit dormit... housing, Ga. 9150.

†**Ill., Fithian**—Dpt. Agriculture, Commodi... Credit Corp., Hemp Div., The Mall, 12 an... 14 Sts. N.W., Wash., D. C., hemp mi... $100,000 without equip.

†**Ill., Lexington**—Dpt. Agriculture, Commo... ity Credit Corp., Hemp Div., The Mall, ... and 14 Sts. N.W., Wash., D. C., hemp mi... $100,000 without equip.

†**Ill., Wyoming**—Dpt. Agriculture, Commodi... Credit Corp., Hemp Div., The Mall, 12 and ... Sts. S.W., Wash., D. C., hemp mill $100,0... without equip.

†**Kentucky**—National Carbide Corp., 60 E... 42 St., New York, N. Y., plant facilitie... $280,000. Defense Plant Corp. will finance.

†**La., Pineville**—State Bd. Health, Dr. D. ... Brown, pres., Baton Rouge, plans by J. ... Scott, Littlefield Bldg., Austin, detentio... home for girls on grounds Huey P. Lon... Hospital. Over $150,000. **FWA.**

†**Me., Houlton**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ... 24 School St., Boston, Mass., 100 unit dorm... tory housing, Project Me 10705.

★†**Md., Baltimore** — Pub. Housing Auth., ... NHA, Temporary Bldg. 2, 19 and D Sts. ... N.W., Wash., D. C., 750 unit housing, Md. ... 18250; 250 unit housing, Md. 18251; tem... porarily deferred 650 unit housing, Md. 1825... 150 unit housing, Md. 18253, and 200 uni... housing, Md. 18254.

**Md., Hyattsville**—Bd. Educ., Prince George... Co., Upper Marlboro, plans $400,000 bond elec... tion high school.

†**Md., Leonardtown**—Comrs. St. Mary's Co., ... plans by J. J. Baldwin, 927 15 St., N. W., ... Wash., D. C., and bids soon, 2 story, brick ... and cinder block courthouse and jail adds., ... Md. 18-182. $131,700. **FWA.** CD 1/28—ENR ... 2/4.

†**Md., Marlboro**—Bd. Educ. Prince George... Co., Upper Marlboro, plans $150,000 bond elec... tion high school.

**Md., Mt. Rainier**—Bd. Educ. Prince George... Co., Upper Marlboro, plans $250,000 bond ... election school.

†**Md., Prince Frederick**—Calvert County ... Hospital, sketches made by J. J. Baldwin, ... 927 15 St. N. W., Wash., D. C., 2 story hos... pital addn. **FWA.**

**Md., Suitland**—Bd. Educ. Prince George... Co., Upper Marlboro, plans $280,000 bond elec... tion high school. CD 1/5—ENR 1/7.

★†**Md., Towson**—Pub. Bldgs. Admin., 601 ... State Planters Bank Bldg., Richmond, ... Va., plans by J. R. Edmunds, Jr., Calvert ... Bldg., Baltimore, hospital and nurses' home, ... near here. Projects Md. 18-163 and Md. 18-... 186. $855,000. **FWA.** CD 11/18—ENR 11/26.

†**Massachusetts**—Clifford Manufacturing Co., ... 564 E. 1 St., Boston, addnl. plant facilities.

...IC BUILDINGS (Proposed Work, Cont'd.)
...0. Defense Plant Corp. will finance.
...achusetts—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ...hool St., Boston, plans by P. Franz, 70 ...ock St., Holyoke, housing, Mass. 19030. ...150,000. CD 2/19—ENR 2/25.
...achusetts—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ...hool St., Boston, plans by James H. ...s & Associates, 20 Newbury St., Boston, ... unit and couples housing, Mass. 19031. ...150,000.
...s., Southbridge—Pub. Housing Auth., ... 24 School St., Boston, plans by Leland ...reen, Statler Bldg., Boston, dormitories, ...19082. CD 3/3.
...s., Southbridge—Pub. Housing Auth., ... 24 School St., Boston, 80 unit temporary ...g, Mass. 19083.
...Mich., Saginaw — Pub. Housing Auth., ...HA, 9 St. and Prospect Ave., Cleveland, ...0 unit temporary housing, Mich. 20175; ...nit temporary housing, Mich. 20178; 100 ...emporary housing, Mich. 20181.
...Mississippi—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ...eorgia Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtree ...Broad Sts., Atlanta, Ga., dormitory type ...g dormitory units; units for couples; ...dwelling and dormitory type units. ...for couples and family dwellings, No. ...2-3-4-5-6-7-8.
...ississippi — Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ...ia Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtree and ...d Sts., Atlanta, dormitory type housing, ...ct 20140-51.
...ississippi—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ...ia Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtree and ...d Sts., Atlanta, Ga., family and dormitory ...ing.
...Miss., Biloxi—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ...Georgia Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtree and ...d Sts. Atlanta, Ga., 550 unit dormitory ...ing, Miss-22150.
...Miss., Gulfport—Pub. Housing Auth., ...NHA, Georgia Savings Bank Bldg., Peach- ...and Broad Sts., Atlanta, Ga., 500 unit ...itory housing, Miss-22152; 50 unit dormi- ...housing, Miss-22154; 130 unit war apart- ...ts, Miss 22156; 285 unit temporary housing, ...-22157; 40 unit temporary housing, Miss- ...8.
...Mo., McBride—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ...ks Bldg., 10 St. and Grand Ave., Kansas ..., Mo., 25 family unit housing.
...Nebraska—U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., ...aha, engineer-architect services and su- ...vision construction by Wyatt C. Hedrick ... 1st Natl. Bank Bldg., Fort Worth, Tex., ... and Fillmore Counties.
...Nebraska—U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., ...aha, engineer-architect services and su- ...vision of construction by E. J. Tipton, ... Natl. Bank Bldg., Denver, Colo., Hall
...N. J., Elizabeth—Pub. Bldgs. Admin., North ...erior Bldg., Wash., D. C., plans by A. ...ufman, 259 N. Broad St., 1 story, bsmnt., ...05 ft., temporary hospital and 78x126 ft., ...se's home for Elizabeth General Hospital. ...0,000. FWA.
...N. M., Hurley-Santa Rita—Pub. Housing ...th., NHA, 1309 Electric Bldg., Fort ...rth, Tex., plans by Christensen & Christen- ... Thomas Bldg., Dallas, Tex., housing, ... 29160. CD 3/3.
...North Carolina—U. S. Eng., Monroe, with- ...w bids to have been opened Mar. 8, addnl. ...gs., Union Co. CD 3/2.
...Ohio—Dayton Metropolitan Housing Auth., ...rries Bldg., Dayton, plans by Dayton ...using Architects, c/o A. Schenck, 3rd ...tl. Bldg., Dayton, and bids soon, housing, ... NHA.
...Ohio—U. S. Eng., 925 New Federal Bldg., ... Pittsburgh, Pa., bldg., Cuyahoga Co. Total ... $9,000,000. Wilbur Watson & Associates, ...4 Prospect Ave., Cleveland, engrs.
...O., Windham—Federal Works Agency, 9 ... and Prospect Ave., Cleveland, plans by ... J. King, 100 E. Rayon St., Youngstown, ...story, brick, stone school. $288,500.
...Oregon—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, Skin- ...r Bldg., Seattle, Wash., bids soon hous- ..., $180,000.
★...Oregon—Public Housing Auth., NHA, ...Skinner Bldg., 5 Ave. and Union St., ...attle, Wash., family housing $900,000.
★...Ore., Astoria—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ...Skinner Bldg., 5 Ave. and Union St., ...attle, Wash., 20 unit war apartment hous- ...g, Ore-35250; 40 unit temporary housing ...re-35252; 40 unit war apartment housing, ...re-35251; 200 unit temporary housing, Ore- ...3253. CD 3/5.
...Pennsylvania—Branch Motor Express Co., ... E. Walnut St., Allentown, plant facilities, ...20,000. Defense Plant Corp. will finance.
...Pa., Lancaster—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ...70 Bway., New York, N. Y., 100 family unit ...ousing, Project Pa 36425.
...Pa., Williamsport—Pub. Housing Auth., ...HA, 270 Bway., New York, 150 unit dormi- ...ory housing, Pa. 36033.
...Rhode Island—Pub. Housing, NHA, 24 ...chool St., Boston, Mass., rejected bids Feb. ...8, 1 story, 35x150 ft. community bldg., for ...ousing project RI 37011. Noel & Miller, 29 ...hames St., Newport, .archts.
★...S. C., Charleston—Pub. Housing Auth., ...NHA, Georgia Savings Bank Bldg., Peach- ...ree and Broad Sts., Atlanta, Ga., 600 unit

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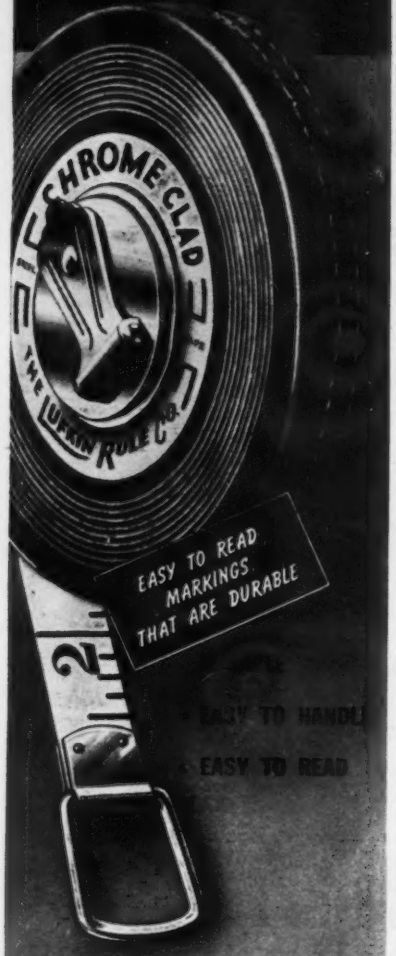


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PUBLIC BUILDINGS (Proposed Work, Cont'd.)

temporary housing, SC-38075, 150 unit war apartments, SC-38076.

†**S. C., North Charleston**—School Dist. 4, plans by H. Tatum, 34 Broad St., Charleston, school at Liberty Hills housing project; plans by A. B. Myers, Charleston, school, Dorchester Rd. $225,000. **FWA.**

†**Tennessee**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, Georgia Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtree and Broad Sts., Atlanta, Ga., dormitory type housing, Tenn. 40072.

†**Tenn., Dyersburg**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, Georgia Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtree and Broad Sts., Atlanta, Ga., 72 unit dormitory housing, Tenn-40100; 80 unit war apartment housing, Tenn-40161. CD 12/29—ENR 1/7.

†**Tenn., Paris**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, Georgia Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtree and Broad Sts., Atlanta, Ga., 1,080 unit dormitory housing, Tenn-40072.

†**Texas**—Dow Magnesium Co., Midland, Mich., addnl. plant facilities. $335,000. Defense Plant Corp. will finance.

★†**Texas**—Pub. Housing Auth., 1309 Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, plans by Clarkson, Pelich, Geren & Rady, Insurance Bldg., Fort Worth, housing, Proj. 41-225. CD 2/16—ENR 2/18.

†**Texas**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 1309 Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, plans by Phelps, Dewees & Simmons, Majestic Bldg., San Antonio, family housing, Tex. 41-293; family apartments, Tex. 41-292. CD 2/16—ENR 2/18.

†**Texas**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 1309 Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, plans by Sharp & Goodwin, 2nd Unit Santa Fe Bldg., Dallas, apartment housing, Tex. 41511, and family housing, Tex. 41512. Over $150,000. CD 2/16—ENR 2/18.

★†**Texas**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 1309 Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, plans by Smith, Pitts & Macpherson, Alamo Natl. Bldg., San Antonio, family housing, Tex. 41522; dormitory dwelling units, Tex. 41521; 100 unit trailer camp, Tex. 41523. CD 2/16—ENR 2/18.

†**Texas** — Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 1309 Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, plans by Barthelme & Kiefner, Rte. 121, P. O. Box 189, Houston, family dwelling housing, Tex. 41-531 and apartment housing, Tex. 41-532. CD 2/16—ENR 2/18.

†**Texas**—U. S. Eng., Fort Sam Houston, addnl. bldgs., utilities, facilities, etc., Bastrop Co., $100,000-$500,000.

★†**Texas**—Universal Corp., W. W. Ahslchlager, archt., Southland Life Bldg., Dallas, 1 story, armament manufacturing plant. $1,000,000. Federally financed.

†**Tex., Gainesville** — Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 1309 Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, 35 unit temporary housing, Tex. 41550; 20 unit dormitory housing, Tex. 41551.

†**Tex., Marfa**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 1309 Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, plans by Frazer & Benner, El Paso Natl. Bldg., El Paso, housing, Tex. 41393. CD 3/1—ENR 3/4.

†**Tex., Pecos**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 1309 Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, plans by W. C. Hedrick, 1005 1st Natl. Bank Bldg., Fort Worth, dormitory housing, Tex. 41556 and dwellings, Tex. 41557 and Tex. 41558. CD 3/3.

†**Va., Portsmouth**—City, sketches by Rudolph, Cooke & Van Leeuwen, Norfolk, public health center. $60,000. **FWA.**

★†**Washington**—Pasco Housing Auth., Pasco, plans by J. W. Maloney, Larson Bldg., Yakima, housing, Project 45200 $200,000, Project 45201 $300,000, and Project 45202 $150,000, for NHA.

†**Washington**—Tacoma Housing Auth., Tacoma, plans by Lea, Pearson & Richards, Provident Bldg., Tacoma, altering Bankers Trust Bldg. for dormitory, for NHA. $25,000.

★†**Wash., Ephrata**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, Skinner Bldg., 5 Ave. and Union St., Seattle, 100 unit dormitory housing, Wash. 45203; 275 unit dormitory housing, Wash. 45204; 30 unit war apartment housing, Wash. 45205; 100 unit temporary housing, Wash. 45206. CD 3/3.

†**Wash., Tacoma** — Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, Skinner Bldg., 8 Ave. and Union St., Seattle, 110 dormitory unit housing, Project Wash. 45207.

†**Wisconsin**—Wehr Steel Co., 5234 W. Mobile St., West Allis, plans by H. I. Messmer, 231 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, service bldg. $50,000. Federally financed. CD 3/2—ENR 3/4.

†**Wisconsin**—Du Pont Co., Carrollville, remodeling chemical plant for alcohol plant. Defense Plant Corp. will finance.

★†**Wisconsin**—A. O. Smith Corp., 3533 N. 27 St., Milwaukee, plant addn. Over $23,000,000. Defense Plant Corp. will finance. CD 1/20—ENR 1/28.

†**Wis., Merrimac**—Federal Works Agency, 18 and F Sts. N.W., Wash., D. C., plans by Bogner, Darby, Law & Potter, 121 S. Pinckney St., Madison, school, Wis. 47031. $79,800.

★**Alta., Edmonton**—Wartime Housing, Ltd., 55 York St., Toronto, Ont., bids soon 200 houses, for City. About $600,000. CD 2/24—ENR 3/4.

**Alta., Edmonton**—Secy. Dpt. Munitions & Supply, Ottawa, addnl. bldgs., officers' quarters, dispensary addn., etc. $167,000.

**B. C., Vancouver**—University of British Columbia, student dormitory, etc., bldg. $200,000.

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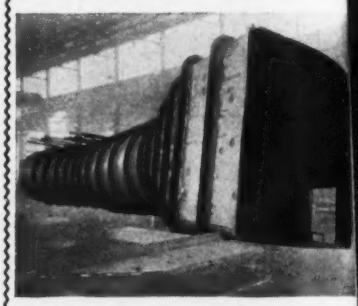

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**London**—Dpt. P. Wks., Ottawa, 1st hospital pavilions near military hospitals., Westminster Twp. Total est.

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*Bids Asked After March 9*

**sylvania** — Beaver County Housing P. O. Box 181, Beaver, 50 unit temdwellings, Pa-36307 and 250 unit temfamily dwellings Pa-36308 in Beaver NHA. Extended date. Plans deposit ousing Architects of Beaver County, St., Monaca, archts. CD 2/19—ENR

*Bids Asked After March 10*

**Geneva**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ay., New York, N. Y., site work and for 160 trailers. Pa-36354. Plans de- G. M. D. Lewis, Scranton Life In- Bldg., Scranton, archts.

**sconsin**—Dpt. Agriculture, Hemp Div. odity Credit Corp., The Mall, 12 to 14 W., Wash., D. C., hemp mill. $145,000. —ENR 2/11.

**sconsin**—Dpt. Agriculture, Hemp Div. odity Credit Corp., The Mall, 12 to 14 W., Wash., D. C., hemp mill. $145,000. —ENR 12/10.

**sconsin**—Dpt. Agriculture, Hemp Div. odity Credit Corp., The Mall, 12 to 14 W., Wash., D. C., hemp mill. $145,000. —ENR 12/10.

**sconsin** — Dpt. Agriculture, Hemp Div. odity Credit Corp., The Mall, 12 to 14 W., Wash., D. C., hemp mill. $145,000. —ENR 12/10.

**sconsin** — Dpt. Agriculture Hemp Div. odity Credit Corp., The Mall, 12 to 14 W., Wash., D. C., hemp mill. $145,000. —ENR 1/21.

**sconsin**—Dpt. Agriculture, Hemp Div. odity Credit Corp., The Mall, 12 to 14 W., Wash., D. C., hemp mill. $145,000.

*Bids Asked March 15*

**S., Debert**—Secy. Dpt. Munitions & Sup- Ottawa, Ont., ordnance bldgs., for Dpt. nal Defense (Army), Ottawa, Ont.

*Bids Asked After March 15*

**nnecticut**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, chool St., Boston, Mass., temporary housnits, Conn. 6182; temporary units, Conn. Over $150,000. CD 2/15—ENR 2/18.

**nnecticut**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, chool St., Boston, Mass., housing site s, etc., Conn. 6183 and 6184. CD —ENR 2/25.

**West Virginia**—U. S. Eng., 130 S. Queens t., Martinsburg, hospital bldgs., Groups nd E Martinsburgh General Hospital, ley Co. Contract awarded soon on A. Wm. A. Goff, 1411 Broad St. Sta. Phila., Pa., archt.

*Bids Asked March 16*

**. C., Wash.**—Alley Dwelling Auth., 1737 N.W., Wash., D. C., housing, Georgia Project. DC 49060, for NHA. CD —ENR 12/31.

**assachusetts**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, chool St., Boston, housing, community garage, paint shop, utilities, overhead rical distr. sys., MASS 19029. Over 000. Plans deposit $50 first set and $10 addnl. set. J. M. Gray, 175 High St., n, archt. CD 2/26—ENR 3/4.

**d., Franklin**—Pub. Bldgs. Admin., North ior Bldg., Wash., D. C., federal recreabldg., Docket Ind. 12-188. **FWA.** CD —ENR 2/4.

*Bids Asked March 17*

**Visconsin**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 201 Wells St., Chicago, Ill., 1 story, 35x91 frame and concrete block administration for Project Wis. 47021. Plans deposit Gordon J. Feldhausen & G. C. Coughlen, n Bay, archts.

**ue., Farnham**—Secretary Dpt. Munitions Supply, Ottawa, Ont., O.M.E. workshop, Dpt. National Defense (Army), Ottawa, $45,00. CD 1/7—ENR 1/22.

*Bids Asked March 18*

**Illinois**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 201 Wells St., Chicago, housing, Projects 11191 and Ill. 11192. CD 3/2—ENR 3/4.

**†N. J., Bridgeton**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 270 Bway., New York, N. Y., 750 t dormitory housing, NJ-28141. Tentae date. Plans deposit $50. R. Bayne illiams & Henry S. Churchill, Architects sociates, 56 W. 55 St., New York, N. Y., hts. CD 2/25—ENR 3/4.

*Bids Asked March 19*

**†Md., Cheverly**—Federal Works Agency, 18 and F Sts. N.W., Wash., D. C., hospital l nurses home, Proj. Md. 18-148. $600,000. n, Ross & Walton, Hyattsville, archts. 10/30—ENR 11/12.

**†Nebraska**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 10 E. 17 St., Kansas City, Mo., housing. ojects Neb. 20532-33. $1,800,000. Davis & ilson, 757 Stuart Bldg., Lincoln, archts. 2/25—ENR 3/4.

*Bids Asked March 20*

**†Arizona**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 785 arket St., San Francisco, Calif., trailer

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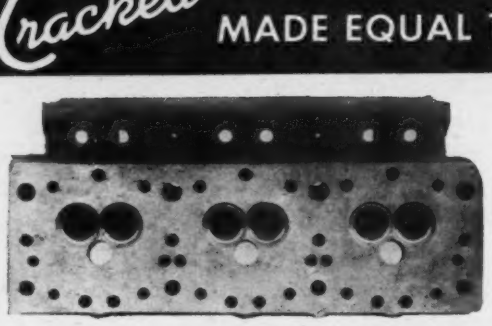

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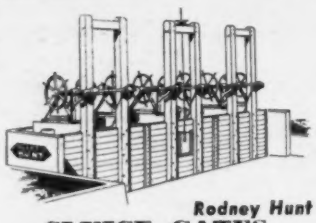

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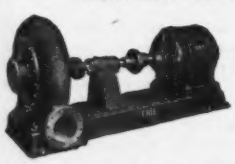

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PUBLIC BLDGS. (Bids Asked, Cont'd.)

camp, Ariz. 2291. Gilmore & Varse Luhrs Bldg., Phoenix, archts. CD ENR 2/18.

†**Massachusetts**—Pub. Housing Auth. 24 School St., Boston, family housing munity housing, garage and paint MASS 19028. Plans deposit $50 first $10 each addnl. set. M. A. Dyer, St., Boston, archt. CD 2/26—ENR

*Bids Asked March 22*

†**Oregon** — Portland Housing Auth. land, dormitory housing, Proj. 3/1—ENR 3/4.

★†**N. B., Renacco (near Newcastle)**— tary Dpt. Munitions & Supply, Ont., administration bldg., barracks, and rating quarters, mess and drill etc., Naval Training Center, for Dpt. Defense for Sea, Ottawa, Ont. Abou 500,000. CD 3/11/42—ENR 3/26/42.

*Bids Asked March 23*

†**N. J., Paterson**—Paterson General H tal, 528 Market St., altering hospital 000. **FWA.** F. Vreeland, 140 Marke archt. H. D. Allen, 105 Halsey St., N engr. CD 10/21—ENR 10/29.

*Bids Asked March 25*

★†**Md., Bethesda** — Pub. Bldgs. A North Interior Bldg., Wash., D. story hospital and nurses' home, Md. for Chevy-Chase Bethesda Hospital **FWA.** Extended date. Faulkner & bury, 917 15 St. N.W., Wash., D. C., CD 3/3—ENR 10/22.

*Bids Asked March 30*

**Mo., St. Louis**—City, c/o C. H. Ellaby Bd. Pub. Serv., 304 City Hall, painting terior new hospital bldg., kitchen and bldg., corridors, City Hospital 1, Carroll between St. Ange Ave. and Grattan St. tion Bridges & Bldgs., W. Crecelius, ch. 301 City Hall, archt.

*Bids Asked*

†**D. C., Wash.**—Alley Dwelling Auth. L St. N.W., Fort Dupont Dwellings Proj. DC 41-5, for NHA. Extended date 2/26—ENR 3/4.

†**Md., Sandy Spring** — Montgomery General Hospital, Olney, altering, conv ing 2 story, brick, concrete or cinder hospital addn., Md. 18-160. **FWA.** G. L. Howe, 917 15 St. N.W., D. C., archt. CD 12/10—ENR 12/17.

†**Massachusetts**—Bethlehem Steel Co. Howard St., Quincy (selected list brick welding bldg., etc. Federally

†**New Mexico**—Pub. Housing Auth. 1309 Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, Tex. tory unit housing, NM 29131, accom tions for couples, NM 29132, and housing, NM 29133. Extended date. Strange, Parkhill, Voelcker & Dixon J. Schaeffer, 702 Main St., Lubbock, archts. CD 2/18—ENR 2/18.

†**New Mexico**—U. S. Eng., Albuq addnl. cold storage unit, facilities, Co. Over $40,000. Plans deposit $5

†**Rhode Island**—Newport Housing Auth. Park Holm, Newport, 1 story, 120x15 recreation maintenance unit, incl. repair RI 37013, for NHA. Plans deposit $5 set and $10 each addnl. set. Howe & 1016 Turk's Head Bldg., Providence, CD 12/2—ENR 12/10.

†**Texas** — Pub. Housing Auth., NHA. Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, dirt work landscaping for housing. Plans deposit Giesecke, Kuehne & Brooks, Littlefield Austin, engr.

†**Texas**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA. Electric Bldg., dormitory housing, Tex. housing for couples, Tex. 41-502, family ing, Tex. 41-503. Haynes, Strange & Park Voelcker & Dixon. Plans deposit $50 project. Myrick Bldg., Lubbock, archts. 2/16—ENR 2/18.

**Ont., London**—Secy. Dpt. Munitions & S ply, Ottawa, bldgs. for Dpt. National Defe (Army), Ottawa. $118,000.

**LOW BIDDERS**

†**Alabama**—Huntsville Housing Auth., F 26, apartments and community bldg. Ala. 19 for NHA, from Ray M. Lee Co., 337 W. Peac tree St. Atlanta, Ga., **$384,461.** CD 1/1 ENR 1/21.

†**Arkansas**—Pub. Housing Auth., NH Electric Bldg., 7 and Taylor Sts., F Worth, Tex., Mar. 2, dwelling units, A 3093 and Ark. 3094, from Thos. P. Coog Inc., Little Rock, Ark., **$479,648.** CD 2/1 ENR 2/25.

†**Arkansas**—Pub. Housing Auth., NH 1309 Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, Tex., M 2, housing, Projects Ark. 3082 and Ark. 30 from F. G. Newton, Hattiesburg, Mis **$497,999.** CD 2/18—ENR 2/25.

†**California**—U. S. Eng., 751 S. Figueroa S Los Angeles, Mar. 1, altering bldg., No. 11 Los Angeles Co., from R. J. Daum, 6803 We Blvd., Inglewood, less than **$500,000.**

†**California**—Kern Co. Housing Auth., 5 Roberts Lane, Bakersfield, Mar. 2, dormitori Cal 4551, 2-person family units Cal 4552, an family units Cal 4553, for NHA, from R. A Wattson Co., 1026 N. McCadden Pl., an Kemp Bros., 2900 Hyde Park Blvd., Los An geles, **$411,384.** CD 2/8—ENR 2/11.

**C BLDGS. (Low Bidders, Cont'd.)**

**ifornia**—Upland City Housing Auth., all, Upland, permanent housing, Project 9-1 and Cal. 9-2, for NHA, from John Jr., 3517 W. 3 St., Los Angeles, 24. CD 1/20—ENR 1/28.

**Marion**—Veterans Admin., Vermont etween H and I Sts. N.W., Wash., D. C., clinical bldg. No. 24, and connecting rs, from A. Farnell Blair Constr. Co., r, Ga., **$345,385.** CD 2/12—ENR 2/18.

**ch., Saginaw**—F. K. Anderson, chn. Com., Saginaw, General Hospital, Mar. pital bldg. and new nurses home addns., Mich. 20-125, from Coath & tions, N. La Salle St., Chicago, Ill., 228 **FWA.** CD 2/17/43—ENR 4/2/42.

**w Mexico**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, Electric Bldg., Fort Worth, Tex., Mar. using. Projects NM 29062 and NM from Price, Nicholson & Boyington, W. Main St., Oklahoma City, Okla., 00. CD 2/18—ENR 2/11.

**ew York**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, Bway., New York, Mar. 2, housing, ts NY 30092 and NY 30093, from Rath-Walsh, Inc., 184 N. Main St., Portchester, 00. CD 2/25—ENR 2/18.

**Oregon**—U. S. Maritime Comn., 14 St. be-ween E St. and Constitution Ave. N.W., . D. C., Mar. 6, dormitories, from s & Jollvette, Railway Exchange Bldg., and, **$2,458,869.** CD 2/25—ENR 3/4.

**Pennsylvania**—Pittsburgh Housing Auth., Terrace Village, Pittsburgh, Mar. 5, hous-Project Pa. 1-6, for NHA, from Navarro 6219 Broad St., Pittsburgh, base bids $2,184,000, (2) $2,116,000. CD 2/24—ENR

**exas**—U. S. Eng., 25 St. and Avenue F, eston, addnl. bldgs., exten. underground ies, Solic. 359-43-C39, Harris Co., from Marshall Co., 4009 Center St., Houston, 000-$500,000.

**Washington**—U. S. Maritime Comn., 14 St. etween E St. and Constitution Ave., Wash., D. C., Mar. 6, dormitories, from ers & Jollvette, Railway Exchange Bldg., land, Ore., **$4,124,327.** CD 3/2—ENR 3/4.

**TRACTS AWARDED**

**Alabama**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, Georgia Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtree Broad Sts., Atlanta, Ga., site impry., ties community bldg., infirmaries, etc., 1165-B, to Daugette-Millican Co., Gads-$520,000. Bids 2/26. CD 2/23—ENR 3/3.

**Alabama**—Reynolds Alloys Corp., Sheffield, ni mfg. bldgs., to Andrew Weston Co., 42 St., New York, N. Y. Est. **$3,500,000.** erally financed. W. J. Knight & Co., mright Bldg., St. Louis, Mo., engrs.

**Alabama**—U. S. Eng., Montgomery bldg., ities, Montgomery Co., to A. Berney Jones 49 Monroe St., Montgomery. Est. **$100,-** Bids 2/23.

**Arkansas**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, ctric Bldg., 7 and Taylor Sts., Fort Worth, , accommodations for couples, Ark 3112 family units Ark 3113, to Linebarger atr. Co., Rector Bldg., Little Rock, **$555,-** Awarded 3/5. CD 3/8, under LB—R 2/25.

**Ala., Talladega**—Talladega County Bd. uc., Talladega, school addns., Ala. 1-186, to rbury-Boriss Constr. Co., Massey Bldg., rmingham. Est. about **$199,000. FWA.** ds 2/26. CD 4/7—ENR 4/9.

**Arizona**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 785 rket St., San Francisco, Calif., temporary elling units, Ariz.-2063, to R. J. Daum, 3 West Blvd., Inglewood, **$198,446.** Bids 27. CD 2/2—ENR 2/4.

**Arkansas**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 1309 ctric Bldg., Fort Worth, Tex., housing, ojects Ark. 3072 and Ark. 3073, to J. W. tson Co., Dallas, Tex., **$371,998.** Bids 27, awarded 3/1. CD 2/18—ENR 2/11.

**California**—U. S. Eng., 751 S. Figueroa St., s Angeles, bldg. expansion, No. 274, River-e Co., to A. Honer, 103 E. 3 St., Santa ta, under **$500,000.**

**California**—U. S. Eng., 1209 8 St., Sacra-ento, line maintenance shed, appurtenant cilities, Kern Co., to Carter & Fowler, 400 St., Bakersfield, under **$50,000.**

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**California**—U. S. Eng., 1209 8 St., Sacra-ento, line maintenance shed, appurtenant cilities, Kings Co. to Lawrence Constr. Co., 11 E. Curtis Pk. Dr., Sacramento, under 50,000.

**California**—U. S. Eng., 1209 8 St., Sacra-ento, line maintenance shed, appurtenant cilities, Merced Co., to Harris Constr. Co., 84 Palm St., Fresno, under **$50,000.**

**California**—U. S. Eng., 1209 8 St., Sacra-ento, exten. central steam plant, Sacramento o., to C. C. Moore & Co., Engineers, Inc., 450 Mission St., San Francisco, **$100,000-$500,000.**

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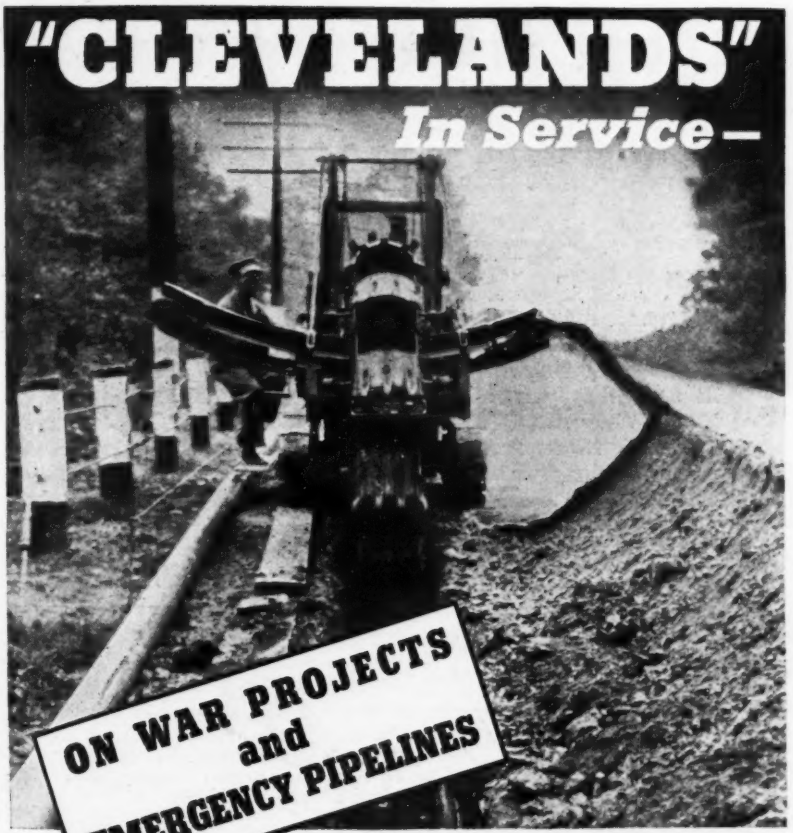

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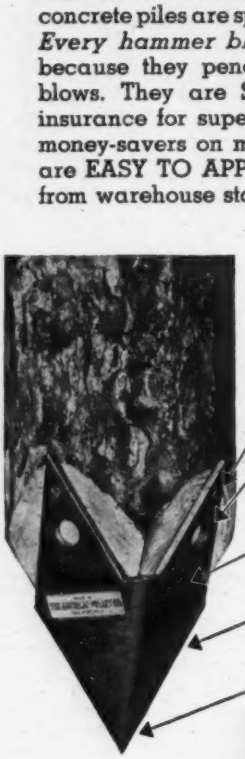

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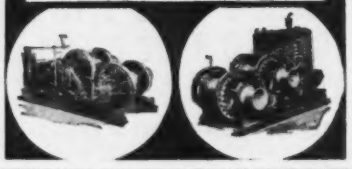


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✝**California**—U. S. Eng., 74 New ... gomery St., San Francisco, heating ... bldgs., Monterey Co., to Salinas Comm... Co., 207 Abbott St., Salinas. Awarded ...

★✝**Calif., Hunters Point**—Yards & ... Navy Dpt., 18 St. and Constitution ... N.W., Wash., D. C., addnl. facilities, nav... docks, S.A. No. 3, NOY 5125, to Bar... Hilp, 918 Harrison St., San Francisco, ... **300.** Addnl. to 8/25—ENR 8/27 under ...

★✝**Delaware**—Pub. Housing Auth., ... Temporary Bldg. 2, 19 and D Sts., ... Wash., D. C., apartment housing and ... housing, Del-7033, to M. Shapiro & Son ... Co., Inc., 254 W. 54 St., New York, ... **$1,250,000.** CD 2/1—ENR 2/4.

✝**Florida**—U. S. Eng., U. S. Courthou... Post Office, Jacksonville, warehouse, ... Neg.-Jot.-43-2, Duval Co., to Gallespie ... structing Co., Inc., 220 W. Church St., ... sonville, less than **$50,000.** Awarded 2/...

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✝**Georgia**—U. S. Eng., 494 Spring St., ... Atlanta, Sect. 1, bldg., incl. clearing, gra... paving, drainage, Floyd Co., to MacDo... Constr. Co., Hemphill Ave. N.W., At... **$100,000-$500,000.**

✝**Illinois**—U. S. Eng., 800 U. S. Courth... & Custom House, St. Louis, Mo., insta... warm air heating facilities in 2 bldgs., ... St. Clair Co., to Bumiller & Meyersieck, 3... S. Jefferson Ave., St. Louis, Mo. Est. ... **$50,000.**

✝**Illinois**—U. S. Eng., 520 Merchandise M... Chicago, heat insulation for piping in va... bldgs., Cook Co., to W. J. Denshoe, Chi... **$50,000-$100,000.**

✝**Ind., Fort Wayne**—Fort Wayne Hou... Corp., A. G. W. Curdes, pres., 817 Co... Trust Bldg., sixty 2 story, frame dwe... units, New Haven Ave., for NHA, to D. ... Hoopengarner, Zanesville. Est. **$4...** Home Builders Plan Service, 124 W. Wa... St., archts. Awarded 2/26.

**Louisiana**—U. S. Eng., 25 St. and Avenu... Galveston, Tex., bldg., W-359-43 N-8... Chris Larsen Co., Maritime Bldg., N... Orleans.

★✝**Maryland** — Pub. Housing Auth., NH... Temporary Bldg. 2, 19 and D Sts., N... Wash., D. C., housing, Projects Md. 180... 18015, to Durham & Irvine, 1713 Ritten... Sq., Phila., Pa., **$545,000.** Bids 2/8. CD 2/... ENR 2/25, under LB.

✝**Massachusetts**—U. S. Eng., Park Squ... Bldg., Boston, temporary bldgs., No. 17... NEG 241, Barnstable Co., to F. Grande... Son Constr. Co., 425 Bway., Everett. E... **$100,000-$500,000.** CD 3/2—ENR 3/4.

✝**Massachusetts**—U. S. Eng., Park Squ... Bldg., Boston, temporary bldgs., No. 17... 249, Middlesex Co., to John Bowen Co., ... Newbury St., Boston. Est. **$100,000-$500,...** CD 3/8—ENR 3/11.

★✝**Michigan**—U. S. Eng., 700 Union Guard... Bldg., Detroit, dismantle and move ex... ing bldgs. at designated locations and ere... ing same, also constructing T.O. type bl... roads, walks and electrical distr., Jackson ... to Owen-Ames-Kimball, 38 Pearl St. NW... Grand Rapids, less than **$1,000,000.**

✝**Michigan**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, Re... lum Tower, Detroit, constructing Willow Ru... site of trailers, grading, utilities, sidewal... etc., No. 20113, to O. W. Burke Co., Fa... Bldg., Detroit, **$231,800.**

**Michigan**—Packard Motor Car Co., E. Gra... Blvd., Detroit, brick, steel, concrete test ce... for bldgs., to Barton-Malow Co., 2631 Wo... ward Ave., Detroit. Federally financed.

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★✝**Mississippi**—Pub. Housing Auth., NH... Georgia Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtree a... Broad Sts., Atlanta, Ga., dormitory apa... ments and family housing, Projects Ma... 22072 and 22073, to F. T. Newton, 1221½ ... Front St., Hattiesburg, **$617,999.** Bids 2/... CD 3/2—ENR 3/4.

★✝**Mississippi**—U. S. Eng., U. S. Courthou... & Customhouse, Mobile, Ala., bldg., Hin... Co., to C. H. Treadwell, 1523 Centenary Blvd... Shreveport. Est. under **$1,000,000.**

★✝**Mississippi**—Pub. Housing Auth., NH... Georgia Savings Bank Bldg., Peachtre... and Broad Sts., Atlanta, Ga., housing ... Projects Miss. 22092 and 22093, to L... Constr. Co., 1467 Lamar Ave., Memphis ... Tenn., **$599,215.** Bids 2/27. CD 2/24—EN... 2/11.

✝**New Jersey** — Curtiss-Wright Propel... Div., Fairfield Rd., Caldwell, 1 and 2 sto... 121x143 ft. concrete block, rein.-con. pr... peller test bldg., to Mahony-Troast Co... 657 Main Ave., Passaic. Federally financ... Albert Kahn Assoc. Eng. & Archts., 345 N... Center Bldg., Detroit, Mich., engrs. an... archts.

★✝**New York**—Pub. Housing Auth., NH... 270 Bway., New York, site work and uti... ities for housing projects N.Y. 20131 a...

…IC BLDGS. (Contracts Awarded, Cont'd.)
… to Delval Constr. Co., Harwd Bldg., …dale. $639,241. CD 2/18—ENR 2/25 … LB.

**…w York**—U. S. Eng., 819 Industrial Trust … Providence, R. I., temporary bldgs., …h Co., to M. Spinelli & Sons Co., Inc., 38 …ry St., Boston, Mass., **$100,000-$500,000.**

**…N. Y., Niagara Falls**—Pub. Housing Auth., …HA. 270 Bway., New York, structures for …ings, Proj. 30131, to Border Building Co., …eridan Ave., Buffalo, John A. Johnson & …Inc., 270 41 St., Brooklyn and M. Shapiro …ns. 254 W. 54 St., New York, **$2,140,392;** …ings, Proj. 30133, to Bush Constr. Co., …Lexington Ave., New York, **$883,050.** CD …—ENR 11/19.

**…Ohio**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 9 St. …d Prospect Ave., Cleveland, housing, to …stein Constr. Co., 573 E. Talmadge St., …n. **$819,700.** Awarded 2/26.

**…io**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 9 St. and …ect Ave., Cleveland, imprv. site and in- …g utilities for trailer homes, to Honagan …, Urbana, **$35,060.**

**…hio**—U. S. Eng., U. S. Post Office & Court- … Cincinnati, general contract bldgs., …kiln Co., to Robert H. Evans Co., 395 E. …d St., Columbus***plumbing, heating, to …man-Wolfe, Inc., 669 N. High St., Colum- …*electrical work, to Electric Power & …pment Co., 57 E. Chestnut St., Columbus.

**…Ohio**—U. S. Eng., 700 Union Guardian …Bldg., Detroit, Mich., boiler house 2, Allen … to W. B. Van Sickle Co., 1623 St. Clair … Cleveland, less than **$1,000,000.**

**… Hamilton**—Installing piping at municipal …ric light plant, to Peck, Hannaford & …gs. Court and Sycamore Sts., Cincinnati, …,950. Proelich & Emery, Toledo Trust …, Toledo, engrs.

**…Pennsylvania**—Montgomery County Housing …h, Pottstown, housing, Project 12-2, for …A to Triangle Engr. Co., 101 Park Ave., … York, N. Y., **$345,700;** electrical work, to …ard P. Foley Co. Inc., 108 E. Read St., …timore, Md., **$16,890.** Bids 3/2. CD 2/25— …R 2/18.

**†Pennsylvania** — Philadelphia Housing …Auth., 21 St. and Parkway, Phila., hous- … Project Pa. 36362, for NHA, to C. B. …s Co., Inc., 2 Lafayette St., New York, …Y. **$1,454,400.** CD 2/26—ENR 3/4, under LB.

**†Pennsylvania** — Philadelphia Housing …Auth., 21 St. and Parkway, Phila., tem- …ary dwellings, Pa. 36253, for NHA, to …ty & Fuhrman, Inc., 369 Lexington Ave., … York, N. Y., **$1,479,650.** Bid 2/26. … 3/2—ENR 3/4 under LB.

**†Pa., Tarantum** — Federal Works Agency, …Lafayette St., New York, N. Y., Allegheny …ley Hospital addn., Pa. 36-902, to George … Fuller Co., Munsey Bldg., Wash., D. C. … **$465,700.** Bids 2/20. CD 2/9—ENR …1.

**†South Carolina**—U. S. Eng., 33 Custom- …use, Charleston, installing, furnishing re- …geration equipment and insulation for cold …rage bldg., Horry Co., to Piedmont Eng. …p., 322 W. Stonewall St., Charlotte, N. C., …der **$50,000.**

**†Texas**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, 1309 …ectric Bldg., Fort Worth, housing, …ojects Tex. 41333 and Tex. 41334, to …ill Singleton, Amarillo, **$261,235.** Awarded …3. CD 2/25—ENR 3/4, under LB.

**★†Texas**—U. S. Eng., 231 W. Main St., … Denison, bldgs., facilities, Smith Co., to … E. McKee, 1918 Texas St., El Paso. Est. …,000,000. CD 3/2—ENR 3/4.

**†Texas**—U. S. Eng., Fort Sam Houston, …dnl. facilities, Bexar Co., to Calvert & Watts, …2 Barrett St., San Antonio, under **$50,000.**

**†Texas**—U. S. Eng., Fort Sam Houston, …dg., facilities, Kinney Co., to W. C. Evans, …30 Olmos Dr., San Antonio, under **$50,000.**

**†Texas**—U. S. Eng., 25 St. and Avenue F, …alveston, frame bldgs., exten. underground …ilities, Solic. 359-43-038, Tom Green Co., to …m Handley, Inc., 720 Travis Bldg., San An- …nio, **$100,000-$500,000.** Bids 2/27.

**†Texas**—U. S. Eng., San Antonio, temporary …ame bldg., Bexar Co., to C. L. Browning, …, 812 Insurance Bldg., San Antonio, **$100,000-** …500,000.

**†Utah**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, Dierks …Bldg., 10 St. and Grand Ave., Kansas City, …o., housing, Projects 42036 and 42037, to …ym-Horman Constr. Co., 1514 Mill Creek Way, …alt Lake City, **$468,045.** BA 2/17. CD 2/9— …NR 2/4.

**★†Va., Alexandria**—Federal Works Agency, … 606 State Planters Bldg., Richmond, bldg. …ddns., remodeling present Alexandria Hospi- …al, to Davis, Wick, Rosengarten & Co., Inc., …Metropolitan Natl. Bank Bldg., Wash., D. C. …700,000. C. F. Neergaard, 41 E. 42 St., New …York, N. Y., and J. Posey, 10 E. Pleasant St., …Baltimore, Md., engrs. CD 10/26—ENR 10/29.

**★†Va., Norfolk** — Pub. Housing Auth., … NHA, Temporary Bldg. 2, 19 and D …Sts. N.W., Wash., D. C., 344 unit housing …accommodation for couples, Va. 44242 and …124 unit housing accommodations for …couples, Va 44247, to A. Lloyd Goode Contr. …Co., Chandler Bldg., Wash., D. C., **$889,200.**


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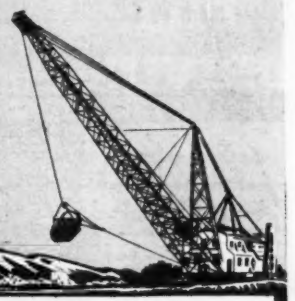

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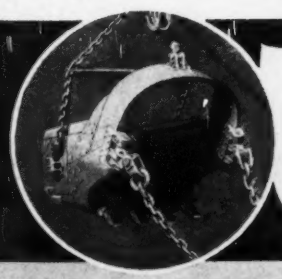

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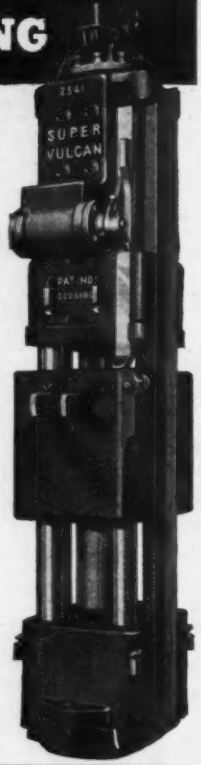


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PUBLIC BLDGS. (Contracts Awarded, Cont'd.)

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†**Va., Norfolk**—Pub. Housing Auth., NHA, Temporary Bldg. No. 2, 19 and D Sts. N.W., Wash., D. C., sites, utilities and community facilities, housing, Project VA-44254 (trailers to be furnished and delivered by FPHA), to Doyle & Russell and Wise Constr. Co., Central Bank Bldg., Richmond, cost plus fixed fee.

★†**Washington**—Vancouver Housing Auth., Vancouver, temporary housing, Wash. 45173, for NHA, to Waale-Camplan Co., 730 S.W. 16 St., Portland, Ore., **$1,579,000** (Correction—Project Number). CD 2/2—ENR 2/4 under CA.

## COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

### PROPOSED WORK

**Calif., Lakewood Village (R. sta. Long Beach)**—Owner, c/o C. N. Aldrich, archt., 1834 Dawson Ave., Long Beach, sixty 6-room dwellings. Over $150,000.

**Calif., Riverside**—Owner, c/o C. N. Aldrich, archt., 1834 Dawson Ave., Long Beach, eighty 6-room dwellings. Over $150,000.

**Md., Chevy Chase**—Bradley Blvd. Constr. Co., 6701 Hillendale Rd., plans by Schreier & Patterson, 917-15th St. N.W., Wash., D. C. apartment.

**Tex., San Antonio**—Arthur Biard & Associates, Majestic Bldg., 5 and 6 room frame dwellings. $150,000.

### CONTRACTS AWARDED

**Conn., Stamford**—Owner, c/o contractor, housing, Sumner and 6 Sts., to Neal Kelley, Riverside, Conn. Est. **$150,000.** Leo Hart, c/o contractor, archt.

**Maryland**—Colonial Gardens, Inc., 802 F St. N.W., Wash., D. C., three hundred fifty 1 story, frame residences, Sheriff Rd.-Chapel Oaks, Prince George's Co., to Bowles Constr. Co., 119 Williamson Rd., Roanoke, Va.

**Md., Baltimore**—Egnal Realty Co., c/o contractor, fifty-two 2 story, bsmnt., 27x28 ft. masonry construction residences, Berkshire Point Rd., to Lange Bros., 806 E. Belvedere Ave., **$250,000.**

**Md., Baltimore**—Marylyn Manor, Inc., 1600 Popland St., twenty-seven 2 story, part bsmnt., 28x40 ft. masonry apartment bldgs., Brooklyn section. Owner builds. **$270,000.** Hal. A. Miller, 421 St. Paul Pl., archt.

**Md., Benesville**—E. W. Martin, agent, 802 F St. N.W., Wash., D. C., 1 story frame housing, to Bowles Constr. Co., 119 Williamson Rd., Roanoke, Va. R. E. Archer, 215 Florida Ave., Wash., D. C., archt.

★**Md., Laurel**—Edgehill Housing Co., 802 F St. N.W., Wash., D. C., 144 unit, 1 and 2 story housing, to Bowles Constr. Co., 119 Williamson Rd., Roanoke, Va. To exceed **$1,500,000.** R. C. Archer, 215 Florida Ave., Wash., D. C., archt.

**Md., Mt. Rainier**—H. A. Rosenfeld, 1429 Crittenden St. N.W., Wash., D. C., nine 2 story, brick, cinder block apartment bldgs., 38 St. between Bunker Hill Rd. and Shepherd St. Owner builds. J. T. Thoman, 1410 H. St., N.W., Wash., D. C., archt.

**Md., Silver Spring**—Miller's Inc., c/o J. T. Thoman, archt., 1410 H St. N.W., Wash., D. C., 7 apartment bldgs., Eastern Ave. and Blair Mill Rd., to Standard Contg. Co., 1010 Vermont Ave. N.W., Wash., D. C.

**Md., Takoma Park**—Hillwood Manor, c/o Ross & Walton, archts., Hyattsville, five 2 and 3 story, brick, apartment bldgs. to Davis & Platt, Inc., 7898 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring.

**Mo., St. Louis County (St. Louis P. O.)**—Risch Blvd. & Real Estate Co., 9100 Gravois Rd., 69 addnl. bungalows with attached garage, in Mackenzie Park subdivision on Mackenzie Rd. Owner builds. CD 8/13—ENR 8/20.

**N. J., Elizabeth**—Eppo Developers, 2301 Summit Terrace, Linden, eighteen 2 story, bsmnt., concrete block, brick residences, separate contracts. **$153,000.** S. Pelton, 47 Elm St., archt.

★**N. Y., Watertown**—R. H. Bailey Homes, Inc., 24 Flower St., 102 homes Watertown Suburban Estates, to Triangle Engr. Co., 101 Park Ave., New York. Est. **$500,000.** W. Pember, 24 James St., Albany, archt.

**O., Cleveland**—S. & S. Constr. Co., c/o Peter Sepper, 17504 Narragansett Ave., masonry and carpentry work for thirty 5 room frame houses. Est. **$150,000.** Owner builds.

**Tex., Fort Worth**—M. M. Moseley, 4224 Pershing St., seventy-one 1 story, 38x40 ft. frame dwellings, force account. **$325,000.**

## INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS

### PROPOSED WORK

**Calif., Alameda**—SHOP, etc.—United Engineering Co., foot of Main St., soon lets contract, 2 story, 60x200 ft., frame sheet metal shop, drafting room and women's locker room bldg. $75,000.


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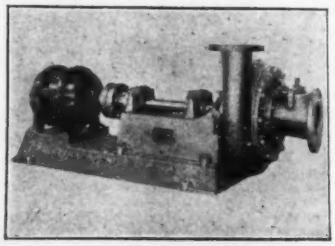

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RIAL BUILDINGS (Proposed Work, 'd.)

**Alameda** — POWERHOUSE, etc. — Eng. & Drydock Co., foot of Schiller ory, rein. con. powerhouse and frame or bldg.

**, Oakland** — PLANT — Albert Milling 2700 7 St., rebuilding plant, main mill, elevators and Albers dock. $2,500,000.

**Woodland**—PLANT—Weaver Tractor nd T Sts., Sacramento, plans by H. J. Cronan Bldg., Sacramento, machinery ldg. $50,000.

**Waterloo**—FACTORY—Hawkeye Steel Co., 324 Duryea St., rebuilding fac- 0,000, incl. equip.

**olumbus**—WAREHOUSE — Trowbridge Co., 422 E. Rich St., 5 story, 100x150 house. Over $40,000.

**arral (mail Strasburg)** — TUNNEL Robinson Clay Products Co., W. E. n, pres., Second National Bldg., tunnel kiln. $40,000 or more.

**Athens**—FACTORY—Athens Chair Thompson, pres., Athens, factory addn.

**Memphis** — SUBSTATION—Memphis as & Water Div., c/o Col. Thos. H. h, engr., Madison and 3 Sts, electric on. $40,000-$50,000.

**Dallas** — FREIGHT STATION—Mis- Kansas, Texas R.R. Co. of Texas, F. ch, engr., Katy Bldg., Dallas, re- freight station.

**Gainesville**—TRUCK REPAIR SHOP ey Mill & Elevator Co. (subsidiary l-Diamond Milling Co., 2200 S. Main rt Worth), truck repair shop and ele- nit. Over $40,000.

**McAllen**—PLANT—Gilbert C. Wilson ciates, Denton, construction equipping potato dehydration plant. $40,000.

**Kenosha** — STORAGE — Dynamatic 2307 14 Ave., 1 story, 40x100 ft., con- block storage bldg.

**., Vancouver**—PLANT—Universal Box d., 7 Heather St., plans by Architect, Koerner, Alaska Pine Co. Ltd., New inster, plant. $50,000.

**., Victoria**—FACTORY—Fraser Valley lax Co-Operative Assn., c/o Hon. M. ald, Minister Agriculture, Legislative lax factory. $85,000. CD 12/14—12/17.

**ASKED**

*Bids Asked Within 3 Weeks*

**Montreal**—PLANT—E. J. Turcotte, 1010 St. Catherine St. W., 1 and 2 plant addns., alterations, for Canadian & Whitney Co. Ltd., 150 Lorne St., eal. $50,000.

*Bids Asked*

**., Troup**—PLANT—General Refractories Real Estate Trust Bldg., Phila., Pa., 0 ft. brick main bldg., main kiln 500 ng and several smaller kilns, etc. 00. CD 2/18—ENR 3/4.

**TRACTS AWARDED**

**if., Berkeley**—LABORATORY, etc.—Re- University of Calif., Berkeley, labora- ldg., storehouse, sheet metal shop, alter- aboratory and shop bldg. for Cyclotron t. to J. E. Branagh, 105 Sheridan St., ont. Est. **$70,000.**

**n., Bridgeport**—MILL, etc.—A. W. Bur- umber Co., 415 Knowlton St., rebuilding y office bldg., South Mill, North Mill, etc., Grand and Knowlton Sts. Owner

**n., Putnam** — FACTORY — Empire Fin- Steel Corp., 62 Canal St., 1 story, 60x180 rick factory addn., incl. crane runway. r builds. **$40,000.** L. F. Caproni, 1221 el St., New Haven, engr.

**., Joliet**—PLANT—American Steel & Wire Co., 208 S. La Salle St., Chicago, al contract 1 story, brick, rein.-con. , alterations, Rod Mill 3, to Sumner S. t Co., 307 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago. cost **$15,000,000.** (**Correction**—contrac- address). CD 2/23—ENR 2/25 under CA.

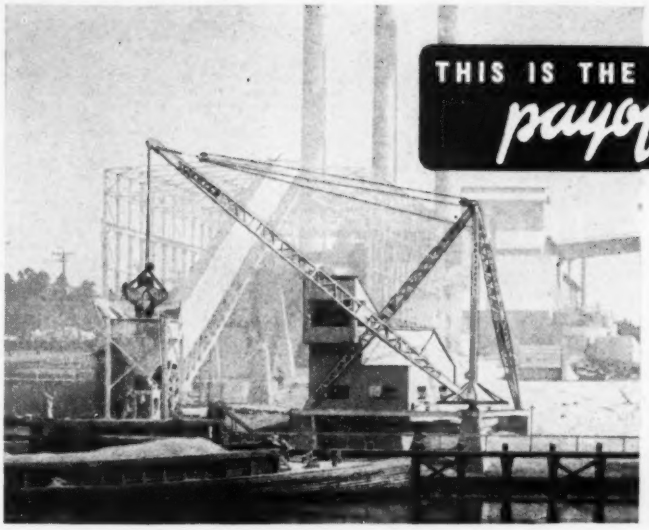
**achusetts** — PLANT — Bethlehem Steel 37 E. Howard St., Quincy, 1 and 2 story, ular sized, brick, precast concrete com- ion bldg., to McCutcheon Co., 250 Stuart Boston. Est. **$40,000.**

**ss., Cambridge**—FACTORY—C & W Tool 19 Chestnut St., altering factory, 89 y., to George Pigott, 11 George St., Hyde . Est. **$40,000.** E. Putnam, 107 Mass. , Boston, archt.

**ss., Dorchester (sta. Boston)**—FACTORY o. Lawley & Sons Corp., 76 Ericsson St., ory, 130x400 ft. factory, Walnut St. Owner is. J. Worcester & Co., 79 Milk St., ton, engr.

**ss., Dorchester (Sta-Boston)**—PLANT— el Press Mfg. Co., Dorchester Ave., exten. alterations brick plant, Dorchester Ave., McCreery & Theriault, 131 Clarendon St., ton. Est. **$70,000.** Cleverdon, Varney & , 46 Cornhill, Boston, archts.

**ss., Malden (br. Boston)** — MACHINE OP—Lawson Machine & Tool Co., 131 hange St., converting 3 story, 50x136 ft. k. concrete structure into machine shop, Mountain Rd., to J. Gascoigne & Co., , 8 Beacon St., Boston. Est. over **$40,000** equip. W. J. Freethy, 69 Pontiac Rd., rton, archt.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INDUSTRIAL BLDGS. (Contracts Awarded, Cont'd.)

**Mich., Alma**—PLANT—Swift & Co., Alma, food processing plant, to Barnes Constr. Co., 1310 Chicago Ave. S. W., Grand Rapids. Est. $55,000.

★ **Mo., St. Louis**—WAREHOUSE, etc.—Central Terminal Co., 720 N. 12 Blvd., alterations, remodeling 7 story warehouse and office bldg., 720 N. 12 Blvd., to Dickie Constr. Co., 317 N. 11 St. Est. over $600,000. Spearl, Becker & Falvey, Arcade Bldg., archt.

**N. J., Belleville**—BOILER HOUSE—Wallace & Tiernan Co., 11 Mill St., 1 story boiler house exten., incl. new brick stack, to Mahony-Troast Corp., 657 Main Ave., Passaic, $40,000.

**N. J., Jersey City**—FACTORY—Western Electric Co., 100 Central Ave., Kearny, repairing, altering brick mfg. bldg., to Hugh Montague & Sons, 880 Bergen Ave., Jersey City, $40,000; electrical work to E. J. White, 351 Bway., Newark.

**N. J., Newark**—FACTORY—A. Hollander & Sons, 143 E. Kinney St., new fdns. and underpinning present factory bldg., to Underpinning & Foundations Co., 155 E. 44 St., New York, N. Y., $41,000. Abbott Merkt & Co., 100 E. 40 St., New York, N. Y., engrs.

**N. J., Perth Amboy**—FACTORY—Kincaid Mfg. Co., 17 E. 42 St., New York, N. Y., 1 story, 60x250 ft. rein.-con., steel and glass brick factory addn., to Walter Kidde Const. Co., 140 Cedar St., New York, N. Y. $75,000. CD 3/2—ENR 3/4.

**O., Cleveland**—FACTORY—Hickok Electric Instrument Co., R. D. Hickok, pres., 10514 Dupont Ave., 2 story, 45x100 ft. factory addn., to R. E. Nixon Co., 1737 Euclid Ave. Est. $40,000. CD 2/19—ENR 2/25.

**Tenn., Nashville**—WAREHOUSE, etc.—T. C. Ragland Co., c/o Manager, 158 1 Ave. S., Nashville, rebuilding 1 and 2 story, brick warehouse and offices, to V. L. Nicholson, Nashville Trust Bldg. Est. $75,000. G. D. Waller, 3d Natl. Bank Bldg., archt.

**Utah, Salt Lake City**—PLANT—Utah Fire Clay Co., L. Squires, genl. mgr., 1078 S. 1st West St., rebuilding parts plant, to Young Const. Co., 1st National Bank Bldg., $66,300.

**Wis., Milwaukee** — FOUNDRY — Ampco Metal, Inc., 1745 S. 39 St., 1 story, 80x260 ft. concrete block foundry addn., concrete fdn., to Wm. Keierleber Constr. Co., 1732 N. 35 St.

**Wis., Oshkosh**—FOUNDRY—Universal Foundry Co., 61 Pine St., 1 story, 50x100 ft., concrete block, frame foundry addn., concrete fdn., to Ben B. Ganther Co., 78 State St.; electrical work by owner.

## POST WAR PROJECTS

### ROADS

†**Alabama**—Public Roads Admin., FWA, 515 14 St. N.W., Wash., D. C., approved 4.5 mi. new route between point southeast of Centerville and point northwest of Brent, involving route around Centerville and new bridge over Cahaba River; relocating 18 mi. for U. S. Route 31, on more direct alinement between point 3 mi. south of Greenville and Davenport; 14 mi. for U. S. 78, from point about 11 mi. west of Anniston via Coldwater Gap to point east of Oxford, involving alternate route around Anniston and Oxford; 20 mi. hy. for U. S. Route 31 on more direct alinement between point near Cullman and Hartselle; 22.8 mi. new route between Bessemer and Roebuck, involving alternate route around Birmingham on south and east; 22 mi. new route between Bessemer and Roebuck, involving alternate route around Birmingham on west and north; relocating 11 mi. for U. S. Route 231 on more direct alinement passing near Dothan on west; 6 mi. new route on more direct alinement around Dothan on south; 8 mi. new routes around Huntsville on north, west and east; relocating 13.5 mi. on more direct alinement of U. S. 90, between Theodore and a point on Government Street in Mobile; 9.5 mi. U. S. 43 between point near Prichard and point near Navco, passing Mobile on west; 17 mi. new route between point on U. S. 80, east of Montgomery southerly, westerly and northerly to point on U. S. 31, passing near Montgomery on east, south and west; 14.5 mi. new route on more direct alinement between point on U. S. 80, near Moscow and point near Cuba, passing near Livingston; relocating 35 mi. on more direct alinement of U. S. 11 between point southwest of Tuscaloosa and Bucksville and passing near Tuscaloosa on south; imprv. 15 mi. U. S. 231 between Orion and point southeast of Troy and passing near Troy on west.

†**California**—Public Roads Admin., FWA, 515 14 St. N.W., Wash., D. C., four projects involving completion Bayshore Freeway from San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge on west side of San Francisco Bay via San Mateo, Redwood City, Moffett Field and San Jose to connect with present route southeast of San Jose, plans for 9 mi. of this route are already completed by State and new work covers 42 mi.; 33 mi. new limited access hy. from point on High St. in Oakland, along east shore San Francisco Bay to connect with the proposed Bayshore Freeway, north of San Jose, to be known as Eastshore Freeway and will bypass congested urban and industrial areas; 5 projects, 45.5 mi. development of freeway from near Universal City through business section of Los Angeles southeasterly to Irvine; developing 26 mi. Sepulveda Blvd. from Northwest of San Fernando to Centinella Blvd. south of Culver City; 4 mi. freeway from American River to Ben Ali northeast of

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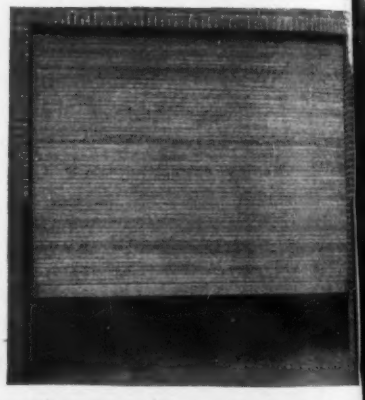

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WAR PROJECTS (Roads, Cont'd.)

ento; 2 projects, 18.6 mi. freeway from
d of Oakland-San Francisco Bay Bridge,
n Oakland and Richmond to Carquinez

**rict of Columbia**—Public Roads Admin.,
15 14 St. N.W., Wash., D. C., trunk hy.
entral area of Washington, vicinity of
K Sts. N.W., to northeastern sect. and
connection with U. S. 1 to Baltimore at
H Sts. N.E., a section of route is
ely planned as depressed hy.; master
or development Rock Creek and Poto-
kwy. from near Massachusetts Ave. to
ction of Blagden Ave. and Broad
Rd. to provide connection between
hys. east and west of Rock Creek

**ho**—Public Roads Admin., FWA, 515
N.W., Wash., D. C., 2 projects, 5 mi.
route in vicinity of Boise, providing
ernate route around city proper on north
sidential and airport areas on south in-
3 grade separation structures, 2 canal
gs and connections to existing routes;
ects, 13 mi. for development new routes
inity of Pocatello, involving alternate
around city on east and north; 30 mi. new
which may connect on east with both
30 North and U. S. 30 South, requiring
ridge over Snake River, passing approx.
ay between Rupert and Burley, to con-
with U. S. 30 North, near Minidoka-
e Co. line; 2 projects, 5.5 mi. in vicinity
ur d'Alene, passing around city on east,
and west, involving number railroad
gs and river bridge; 27 mi. new route
en Craigmont on U. S. 95 and Culdesac
rtle on Snake River in order to avoid
ac Hill and secure easier curves on
; 2 mi. new crossing of Clearwater River
wiston involving railway grade separa-
and adequate connections with present
ed routes; relocating 7 mi. for U. S. 10
en Wallace and Mullan, involving fitting
hy. and railway facilities into deep nar-
iver canyon; 18 mi. U. S. 30 on more
alinement between Lava, Hot Springs
Alexander; 3 projects, 8 mi. new route
en point on U. S. 95, at Algoma and
on U. S. 95 north of International Rail-
Crossing north of Sandpoint involving
ridge over Pend O'Reille Lake.

**linois**—Public Roads Admin., FWA, 515
N. W., Wash., D. C., 87 mi. new route
Wisconsin state line at Beloit to Mar-
and further development existing route
Marengo to intersection Congress St. and
Shore Dr. in Chicago; 16 mi. new route
Wisconsin State line near Beloit, passing
Rockford and Camp Grant to south of
ford; 7 mi. route from junction U. S. 6
. S. 150 at Moline Airport to Centen-
Bridge over Mississippi River at Rock
; 20 mi. new route from Rock Falls to
-Iowa state line near Clinton, Ia.; 2 mi.
route across Illinois River from North
ington St. and Hamilton Blvd. in Peoria
Washington St. near junction of U. S.
d U. S. 150 in East Peoria; relocating
U. S. 45 between Neoga and Mattoon
nprove alinement; 7 mi. new route
h Springfield, via 3 St.; 55 mi. new
between Casner and Springfield or
r development existing route; relocating
road between Jacksonville and Barry
view to providing more direct route;
ting 10 mi. U. S. 45 to pass near
ham on east; relocating 10 mi. U. S. 51
s near Centralia on east; 14 mi. new
from point west of Alton, to connection
ther routes southeast of Alton; relo-
or developing 30 mi. U. S. 66 from
to East St. Louis; 11 mi. new route
Brighton to point near Alton State Hos-
modernizing and relocating 12 mi. U. S.
om Maryville to Illinois-Missouri State
at East St. Louis, incl. new bridge over
sippi River; 20 mi. U. S. 41 from Lake-
Co. line to Lake Shore Dr. in Chicago;
ping 6 mi. Outer Dr. from Jackson
in Chicago to Illinois-Indiana State
imprv. 17 mi. U. S. 66 to modern stand-
from point 2 mi. west of Cook-DuPage
ne to Lake Shore Dr. in Chicago; 22 mi.
direct route from Richton Park at U. S.
Lake Shore Dr. in Chicago; 63 mi.
45 from Frankford on U. S. 30 to U. S.
rth of Gurnee; modernizing 7 mi. exist-
oute and selection new route from Silvis
tersection 7 Ave. and 11 St. in Rock

**nsas**—Public Roads Admin., FWA, 515
N. W., Wash., D. C., relocating 14 mi.
54, east and west through Wichita;
27.5 mi. U. S. 81, incl. some reloca-
etween Salina and Concordia; relocating
U. S. 69, between point near Merriam
of Kansas City and Kansas-Missouri
line; imprv. 27 mi. U. S. 81, incl. some
ation, between Concordia and Kansas-
aska State line; relocating 16.3 mi. U. S.
etween point southwest of Olathe and
am; further development 5.1 mi. U. S.
rom Merriam southerly; 6.5 mi. new
around McPherson on west; 4 mi. around
on on east; 6 mi. around Newton on
and 4.5 mi. around Newton on south;
ating 19 mi. U. S. 24 between Tonganoxie
a point east of Topeka, passing near
ence; relocating 12 mi. on more direct
ment between Meriden and Valley Falls;
mi. new route between U. S. 50 southwest
Kansas City and U. S. 24 to serve as
nate route around Kansas City on west;
mi. new route passing around Junction
on west; 52 mi. new route on more
t alinement between point west of To-

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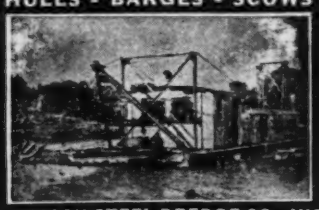

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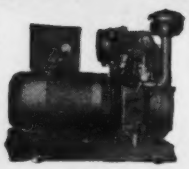

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peka and point east of Fairview; 4.2 mi. route passing around Newton on west; locating 37 mi. U. S. 69 on more direct ment between point south of Fort Scott point near Trading Post; 13 mi. U. S. 66 tween Baxter Springs and Galena; 15 north and south route between Kansas-O homa State line near Caney and point of Independence; 17.5 mi. new location U. S. 77, between point near Barnes Kansas-Nebraska State line; relocating 1 U. S. 81 north and south through Wichi

†**Kentucky**—Public Roads Admin., FW 515 14 St. N. W., Wash., D. C., develo 50 mi. road to modern standards of U. between Florence and point 10 mi. sout Corinth; 45 mi. new route from Louisville Shepherdsville to Elizabethtown; reloca 12 mi. U. S. 60, passing near Olive Hill; alternate routes around Hopkinsville on east and west and north and south rou relocating 3 mi. U. S. 6, passing north Winchester; imprv. 20 mi. U. S. 25 betw Georgetown and Lexington, with belt around Lexington; 2 mi. alternate r around Frankfort on south connecting U. S. 60; relocating 3 mi. U. S. 31-W, pass to west of Elizabethtown; 2 mi. spur U. S. 119 into Harlan; relocating 8 mi. U. 41, passing Madisonville and Earlington, east; 35 mi. new route serving as belt around Louisville, on east and south; deve ing 2 mi. U. S. 25 from south corporate li of Covington to Ohio River Bridges; relo ing 30 mi. U. S. 25-E on more direct al ment between London and Barbourv further development 15 mi. U. S. 25 and relocate on more direct alinement betw Berea and London; developing 7 mi. n location to serve present U. S. Routes 60 and 68 as bypass of Paducah on south; locating 3 mi. U. S. 23, passing east of Pi ville.

†**Louisiana**—Public Roads Admin., FW 515 14 St. N. W., Wash., D. C., widenin relocating 20 mi. U. S. 80, entirely acr Bienville Parish between Minden and Rus 17.9 mi. U. S. 80, between Louisiana-Tex State line and Shreveport; 15.6 mi. U. S. entirely across Webster Parish and to bypa Minden on south; 10.5 mi. U. S. 80, betwe Arcadia, and point near Grambling; 3.8 m U. S. 80, from Market and Texas Sts., Shre port, easterly; 14.9 mi. U. S. 80, betwe Bossier City and Minden; 4.5 mi. U. S. between point near Grambling and Rust widening, straightening 3.6 mi. Bayou Sa Rd. within and north of Baton Rouge; wid ing, relocating 15.6 mi. U. S. 90 between La Charles and Iowa, incl. near route thro north part of Lake Charles involving brid over Calcasieu River; 6 mi. U. S. 190, betwe Lawtell and Opelousas; 7.8 mi. U. S. 190 pass near Opelousas on south; relocating 7 U. S. 51 to pass near Hammond and Ponch toula on west; 9.4 mi. new route betwe U. S. 90, southwest of New Orleans and St Route s.e. of Gretna; bridge, approaches 0.5 mi. new location at Plaquemine Bayou.

†**Maine**—Public Roads Admin., FWA, 14 St. N.W., Wash., D. C., 14 mi. alterna route around Augusta on west and nort 7 mi. alternate route around Winslow, i volving new crossing of Sebasticook Riv imprv. 22 mi. U.S. 202 in 3 separate sec tions between Maine-New Hampshire Sta line at Rochester and Gray Corner; projects, 9 mi. for alternate route arou Freeport Village; relocating 3 mi. U.S. involving causeway across tidewater be tween Machias and East Machias; 1 mi. a ternate route around village of West Pem broke; relocating 3.7 mi. in Pembro Village to avoid dangerous alinement.

†**Massachusetts**—Public Roads Admi FWA, 515 14 St. N.W., Wash., D. C., veloping 24 mi. new route between Wak field and Wellesley passing to north an west of Boston; 15 mi. new inland rou beginning near Danvers, passing to the we of Gloucester and extending to point ne Rockport; 29.5 mi. new route north of U. 20 from Brimfield-Monson town line, point near Russell-Westfield town line.

†**Mississippi**—Public Roads Admin., FW 515 14 St. N.W., Wash., D. C., 2.5 mi. alte nate route for U.S. 45, passing to the we of Corinth; 8 mi. new route beginning Jackson and running northeast providi more direct travel than U.S. 51; 3.5 m alternate route for U.S. 51, passing to w west of Terry; relocating 7 mi. U.S. passing near Bolton and Edwards and i volving separation of grades with Al bama and Vicksburg Railroad; 9 mi. ne location of U.S. 11, 45 and 80, throu Meridian, 3.5 mi. alternate route for U.S. south of Albany.

†**Nevada**—Public Roads Admin., FWA, 14 St. N.W., Wash., D. C., 50 mi. alterna route around Reno and Sparks and di routes in vicinity; 30 mi. alternate ro around Las Vegas and distribution routes.

†**New Hampshire**—Public Roads Admi FWA, 515 14 St. N.W., Wash., D. C., 15.5 m new route lying west of U.S. 1 betwe Portsmouth and New Hampshire-Massach setts State line, near Seabrook; 8.9 mi. ne route around Concord on east and north; mi. new route around Manchester on w side of Merrimack River on west.

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